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HISTORIC LAUNCH OF GST AT MIDNIGHT TODAY

India's biggest tax reform since Independence, the Goods and Services Tax (GST), will be launched at midnight on 30th June, 2017 at a function in the Central Hall of the Parliament.

President Shri Pranab Mukherjee, Vice President Shri Hamid Ansari, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, Speaker Smt. Sumitra Mahajan and former Prime Ministers Shri H.D. Deve Gowda and Dr. Manmohan Singh will be among those present at the event.

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Common man welcomes GST

GST @ 0%

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- Children's Drawing and Colouring Books
- Education Services
- Health Services

GST @ 5%

- Sugar
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Ashada rush at Hill Temple

- Temple open from 5.30 am to 10.30 pm
- Free bus service from Lalitha Mahal Helipad
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Mysuru, June 30 (MTY&NNN)- Thousands of devotees thronged the Chamundi Temple, atop the landmark of the City, Chamundi Hill, since morning, on the first *Ashada Shukravara* that began today. Even as people alighted from the buses ferrying them free of cost from the Helipad, the more faithful who had made vows, climbed the thousand-one steps to pray for the fulfilment of their vows.

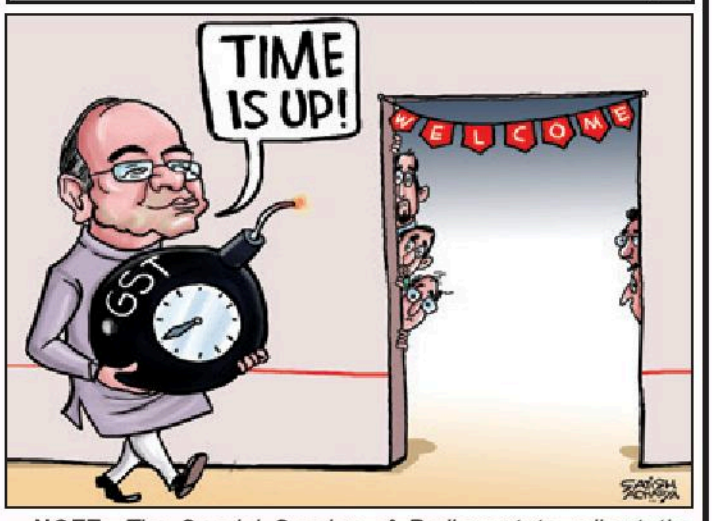
The rush in the morning as early as 3 am was not along the expected lines. People who came in private vehicles parked them at the designated places near the Helipad close to Hotel Lalitha Mahal Palace. Again, the tourists from Kerala were seen arriving in buses, cars and tempos in large numbers.

The pujas to the presiding deity of the erstwhile royal family, Chamundeshwari, began at 3 am led by Chief Priest Shashishekar Dikshit, Devi Prasad and Jayram.

(See ASHADA on page 10)

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya



NOTE: *The Special Session of Parliament to roll-out the Goods and Services Tax (GST) will begin tonight at 11 pm and end at 12.10 am tomorrow (July 1).*

Alleging water release from KRS

Mandya farmers block Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway

Mandya, June 30 (NG&DM)- Alleging that the State Government was clandestinely releasing Cauvery water from the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam to Tamil Nadu even before the dam became full, farmers blocked the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway for about 30 minutes this morning.

The road block resulted in huge pile-up of traffic on the both sides of the busy four-lane State Highway and thousands of motorists had a tough time and they were clueless about reaching their destinations. The protesters were, however, evicted by the Police who restored the traffic. Security was tightened along the highway to ensure smooth flow of traffic.

(See FARMERS on page 11)

KRS Water Level

Today	71.20 ft
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Outflow	2,365 cusecs
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Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.
Mysuru, Friday 30th June 2017

Quality of Life-Smart City combo

We have heard on many occasions quoting Gandhiji who remarked that the (erstwhile) Princely State of Mysore during the rule of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar was *Ramarajya*, meaning the State hosted a totally satisfied society in respect of physical health, family atmosphere, education, employment, wealth, religious beliefs with harmony, financial status of individuals and, last but not the least, environment. His richly deserved praise, both for the then ruler and the people of that bygone era mirrored the quality of governance and more importantly the quality of life, which may be vouched by the small and shrinking number of octogenarians and nonagenarians who were part of that society as well as that golden era in the history of Mysore and who are still with us in our city. To have contributed their bit for keeping the society of their times in that heavenly blissful ambience then and to survive in the nothing-much-to-write-home-about present society must be a traumatic feeling for the seniors among the elderly.

The poet writing long time ago that old order changes yielding place to new has to answer two questions: *a)* Should *order* change? *b) Why* change in the order? As far as the change brings in its wake overall progress of society and quality of life of its members, to the last individual, no question need to be asked. But, given the outcome of ongoing development programmes across the land, one is not on strong ground to claim that old order has changed for the *better*.

The nation is not wanting in the number of institutions propagating spirituality and the rewards that accrue to those who do not stray from orderly life unlike the present generation, barring exceptions, adrift from quality life in every perceivable way. One has to only read the reports in dailies of all hues to realise the profile of contemporary society which is none too flattering. The urbanites stand self-underrated on counts of worsening life's compulsions and the rustics have themselves made the land's backbone (villages) fragile by losing fascination for farming. Now that the mission of transforming cities into *smart* urban spaces in a short time has been launched, the importance of sustaining a strong and stable backbone seems to have gone out of focus.

The Union government has embarked upon one more initiative, namely ranking 116 cities across the country in terms of the *quality of life* they offer to the residents. This set of cities reportedly includes the 100 cities heading to be made smart urban spaces. Keeping the quality of life apart from smartness of cities sounds incongruous. If quality of life conforms to *order*, the urbanites shall make their cities smart as an obvious corollary. The government may take credit, although undeservedly.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Certainty provides order. Uncertainty provides growth. Both order and growth are needed to complete life. And, that's the first paradox. You want certainty. So, you try to achieve certainty by trying to control everything around you. Now, when your life becomes completely certain, when things become predictable, you become bored. That's why you lose interest in a work that you know you can handle. So, while you want certainty, you simultaneously also want a certain amount of variety, which comes only out of uncertainty. You need surprises and challenges for you to feel fully alive. Too much certainty is boredom. But with too much uncertainty you become extremely nervous and concerned. You again seek a degree of certainty. Two sides of the same coin but you keep toggling between the two sides, causing a roller coaster ride in the flow and rhythm of your life. *—Mahatria Ra in The Times of India.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Deodorising Coat Hanger

Tokyo: There's no escaping technology, not even for the centuries-old coat hanger. Japanese company Panasonic has unveiled a high-tech hanger that not only keeps your clothes wrinkle-free, but also removes any odours from them.

Panasonic's new $180 hanger can make your life a lot easier. All you have to do is plug it in a power supply, hang your smelly clothes on it and turn it on. The gadget allegedly takes between 5 and 7 hours to neutralise even the most stubborn odours.

Called Deodorant Hanger MS, the high-tech hanger uses Panasonic's Proprietary NanoE technology, releasing nano-sized, electrically charged particles that deeply penetrate clothing fabrics and eliminate odours. These particles are created by applying a high voltage to the water moisture in the air, and release from eight different spots in the hanger to effectively spread through the garment and break down odour-causing substances.

Intelligent Crows!

Morioka: When a friend and "crow expert" told Katsufumi Sato to hang some "do not enter signs" on the outside of a building to keep pesky crows a way, the Japanese Professor thought he was only kidding, but after three years of employing the bizarre strategy, he says it works perfectly. Sato, a Professor of ethology, hanged his first "crows do not enter" signs at a University Research Centre in Otsuchi, Japan's Iwate Prefecture, in 2015, at the advice of his friend, Tsutomu Takeda, who he regards as an expert on crows. The birds had been targeting the insulation material covering the building's pipes, ripping it with their beaks and flying away with bits of it to use for their nests. So in desperate to keep the birds away, he thought of hanging written signs for crows! Soon after the signs written on simple sheets of paper went up, in 2015, the crows stopped going into the derelict International Coastal Research Center (ICRC) of the Atmosphere and Ocean Research Institute to steal nest materials. At first, Katsufumi Sato thought it was just dumb luck, but the birds have stayed away ever since.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

Can staying up late have negative effect on my health?

A new study revealed that those who stay up late and sleep in are more likely to have metabolic syndrome, a condition that includes high blood sugar, high blood pressure and abnormal cholesterol.

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Charter presented to Rotary Club of Saragur

Seen in the picture are** (from left) **Club Service Director Rtn. Sunil Baliga, GSR Dr. M.K. Sachidanandan, DG Rtn. Dr. R.S. Nagarjuna, President Rtn. Muthukumaran, Rotary Saragur Club Charter President Dr. S.S. Raj, Secretaries Rtn. Premkumar and Rtn. Animesh Chaturvedi.

Mysuru, June 30- Rotary District Governor (DG) Rtn. Dr. R.S. Nagarjuna presented the Charter to the newly-formed Rotary Club of Saragur on June 25. The Club has been sponsored by Rotary Ivory City Mysuru. Rtn. Dr. S.S. Raj, President of Rotary Saragur, received the Charter Certificate.

Rotary Ivory City Mysuru President Rtn. R. Muthukumaran presented a cheque for Rs. 10,000 as seed money for service projects and also contributed $50 to Rotary Foundation on behalf of the new Club.

Vijayanagar 4th Stage gets Post Office

Mysuru, June 30 - The Department of Posts, Mysuru Division, has opened a new Post Office in Vijayanagar 4th Stage (PIN-570032) at No. 8208, 2nd Phase, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, Mysuru,

The new Post Office was inaugurated recently by MP Pratap Simha. MLA G.T. Devegowda and others were present.

This Post Office covers RMP Layout, Aditya Layout, Vinayaka Layout, H.K. Ramaiah Layout, KSRTC Depot, Police Quarters, SVEI school and nearby places.

Really...?

- ***Babies typically prefer a female voice over a male voice, which may explain why people raise the pitch of their voice when talking to babies, otherwise known as "motherese."***
- ***Sleeping less than 7 hours each night reduces your life expectancy.***
- ***Having excessive body hair is linked to higher intellect.***
- ***Glow sticks are the only safe form of lighting to use straight after an earthquake. They produce light from the reaction of chemicals sealed inside the stick.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Two kids are talking. One says, *"I'm really worried. My dad works twelve hours a day to give me a nice home and good food. My mom spends the whole day cleaning and cooking for me."* ***Other kid says,*** *"What have you got to worry about?"* ***The first says,*** *"What if they try to escape?!"*

Today's Currency Rate

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1 UK Pound	Rs. 83.51
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 17.54
1 Euro	= Rs. 73.51

VOICE OF THE READER

Prof. B. Shivaraj's rejoinder to Prof. K.S. Rangappa's remarks

Sir,

This refers to former UoM VC Prof. K.S. Rangappa's comments on me in *SOM* dated June 27. Prof. Rangappa has no moral or legal right to comment on my reinstatement as he is guilty of the following serious violations of law, propriety and decency:

At UoM, in 2006-07 he was found guilty of plagiarism and Ph.D exam malpractice. He had at a point of time nearly one dozen students registered for Ph.D under him against the UoM regulations. He was recommended for Vice-Chancellorship of UoM in 2007 where Prof. Goverdhan Mehta was a Member of the Search Committee and was rejected after an interview by the Advisers to the then Governor. In 2008, he succeeded in becoming the VC of KSOU under manipulation as Prof. Goverdhan Mehta was the Chairman of Search Committee. From 2009 to 2012, Rangappa indulged in colossal malpractices at KSOU and installed M.G. Krishnan as VC of KSOU culminating in the de-recognition of KSOU by UGC in 2012 and thus destroying the lives and careers of nearly 10 lakh students.

Justice Bhaktavatsala Committee has found him guilty on many counts that deserve prosecution under IPC and Prevention of Corruption Act.

From 2013 onwards, as VC of UoM he continued with his penchant for destruction of established systems — destruction of the natural landscape of Manasagangothri, whimsical appointments, denying teachers CAS and wanton constructions in the campus by BSR and Company, who received 25% excess in all civil works. His plan to fill up 205 posts of teachers was thwarted by the CM after realising the possible destruction.

—Prof. B. Shivaraj

Mysuru 27.6.2017

Builder penalised for delay in delivery of apartment

Sir,

In these days of government creating awareness among consumers regarding their rights to demand proper service, it was heartening to see that the District Consumer Disputes Redressal Forum (CDRF), Mysuru, rose to the occasion and imposed penalty on a builder for delay in delivery of the possession of the apartment of a friend of mine, by nearly 18 months.

It not only asked the builder to pay damages for delay in delivery but for compensation in deficiency of service. The consumer had alleged that upon taking possession, he found shoddy construction such as cracked walls and leaking ceilings, as well as lack of some of the promised amenities such as separate exit gate. My friend had filed a case with the CDRF, Mysuru, seeking damages.

Once the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act (RERA) that is effective from May 1, 2017 is also implemented in Karnataka, then I think more and more people can fight for their rights especially when it comes to real estate. RERA aims to protect the interest of consumers, promote fair play in real estate transactions and ensure timely execution of projects.

—S. Bharat Reddy

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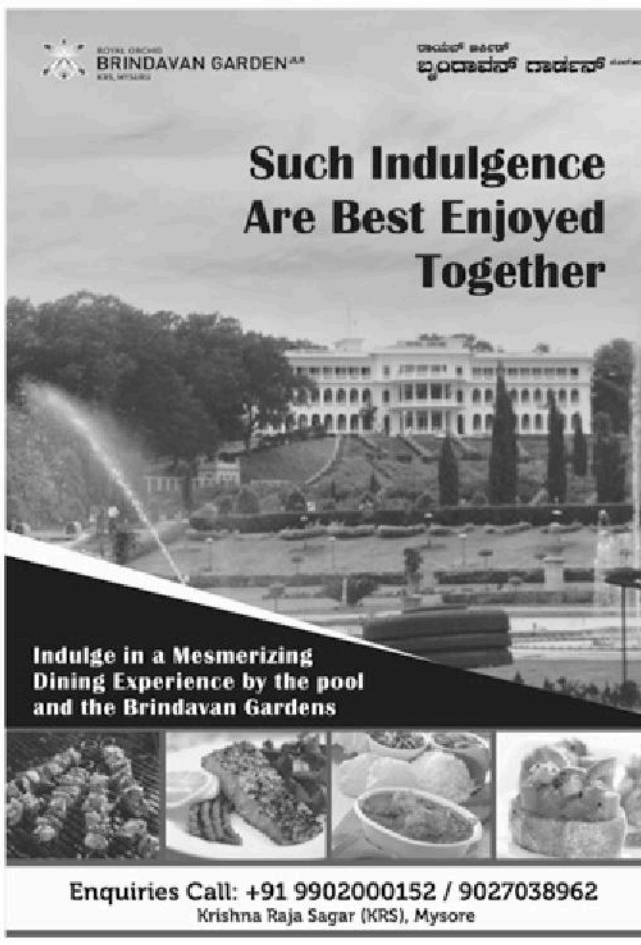
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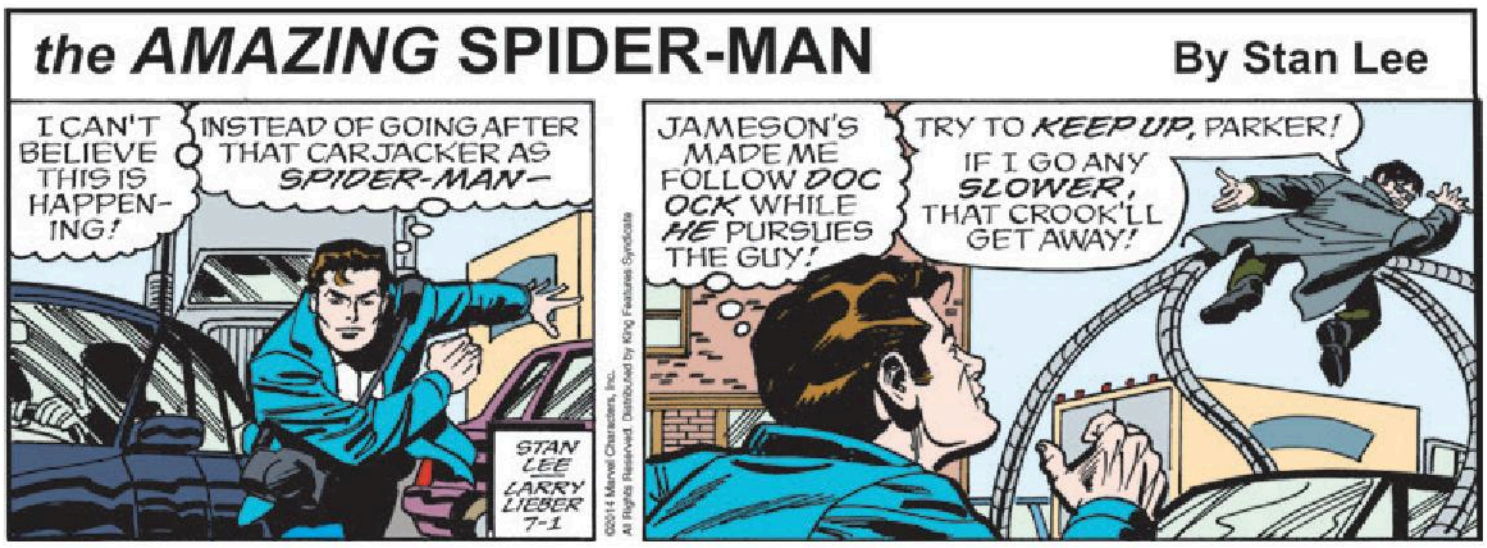
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NEWS BRIEFS

Newspaper Day tomorrow

The Karnataka Press Council having office at No. 1149, 'Pragati', Railway Station Road, Chamarajapuram, will be celebrating Newspaper Day at Vishu Hall, next to Mangalore Coaching Centre, Shankar Mutt Road, K.R. Mohalla at 4.30 pm tomorrow (July 1). Also, senior citizens will be honoured on the occasion. For details, contact Mob: 88803-34444 or 94810-68476.

Story-telling

Kalasuruchi has organised story-telling for kids by D.R. Baluragi, Retd. Prof. in Physics, K.R.V.P. Founder Member, Mysuru, tomorrow (July 1) from 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm at Suruchi Rangamane, #476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2541795 or Mob: 92435-81097.

AGM on July 2

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Vokkaligara Kshemabhivruddhi Sangha, will be held at Sri Vidya Convent premises, KHB Colony, Hootagalli at 10am on July 2 (Sunday). For details, call Mob: 94807-70539 or 94490-42330.

Pratibha Puraskar

The 'Pratibha Puraskar' for meritorious students of Government Schools who have scored high marks in SSLC, will be held at Patrakarthara Bhavan in city at 11.30 am on July 2. Writer Bannur K. Raju will be the chief guest.

Calling guest lecturers

Applications are invited from eligible candidates for the post of guest lecturers for Mathematics and Biology at Morarji Desai PU Residential Colleges in Nanjangud and S. Hosapete on temporary honorarium basis. Applicants with MSc in Mathematics and Biology and B.Ed may attend the interview on July 3, from 10 am to 5 pm in the college office. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2344661.

Placement Assistance camp at IIHT

A Placement Assistance Camp has been organised at IIHT on July 10 for the academic year 2017-18. Candidates with Diploma, Degree, ITI and Engineering pass / fail can attend the camp. For applications and details, contact #1021, 1st floor, Panchamantra Road, Kuvempunagar or call Ph: 0821-4288811 or 2560268.

Takes charge

Prof. G. Viswanathappa, Head, Department of Extension Education, RIE, Mysuru, has been appointed as Principal of RIE Ajmer by the Director of NCERT, New Delhi.

6,015 highway bars will go dry from today midnight

Bengaluru, June 30 (KMS& BCT) - The day that tipplers and bar-hoppers in the State dreaded is here, as over 6,015 liquor outlets and restaurants with bars within 500 metres of the highways will either shut down or go dry from today midnight.

In Dec. 2016, the Supreme Court ordered that no establishment would be permitted to sell alcohol if it was within 500 metres of a National or State Highway. Notices calling for closing of liquor vends across the State have been issued for them to meet the July 1 deadline fixed by the Supreme Court.

With no relief from the Centre on denotifying highway stretches, shutters are likely to come down on thousands of liquor establishments. Karnataka is not the only State grappling with the scope of the court order. While few States have opted for legal recourse and approached the court for a

clarification on implementation of the order, others are finding solutions around the SC ruling.

On Dec. 15, 2016, the Supreme Court ruled that no liquor stores could operate within a distance of 500 metres of highways in the country. It was done to prevent road accidents due to drunken driving along these roads. It also ordered removal of any kind of advertisement of liquor stores and held that fresh licences would be granted after such stores relocate and comply with the court directive.

The prohibitory ruling came after a plea filed by Tamil Nadu challenging the constitutional validity of a circular issued by the Central Government asking States to shut liquor shops along highways.

In Karnataka, there are over 7,515 bars and liquor outlets along the highways and only 1,500 of them come under the guidelines as laid down by the Supreme Court. The licences of all bars will expire on June 30 and they have to apply for fresh licences. According to Excise Department, only the licences of 1,500 bars and wine shops will be renewed and the rest have to shut down.

With the ban in force, Karnataka could be staring at a huge revenue loss. This is primarily because nearly 45% of the liquor vends, including bars, pubs and high-end hotels, in the State are along the highways.

What's worse for Karnataka is that the ban comes at a time when revenue from stamps and registration has been dipping due to a slowdown in the realty sector post demonetisation. The ban has also put thousands of jobs at risk in the hotel and tourism sector.

Many yoga performers on June 21 could not be counted, says DC

Mysuru, June 30 (PM& BCT)-Thousands of people attended the Guinness Record attempt mass yoga performance on the sprawling campus of Mysore Race Course on June 21 but all of them could not be counted to arrive at a definite number, said Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) D. Randeep.

"There were more than 54,101 people in Mysuru while yoga performance at Ahmedabad recorded 54,522 participants," he said.

He was speaking at a thanksgiving programme organised for the media personnel who gave excellent coverage and supported the District Administration and yoga enthusiasts.

"Thousands of Yoga trainers and demonstrators had come to the venue on June 21 as early as 4.30 am to manage the crowd and their numbers could not be added as they were not given the barcode," the DC said.

"Based on the ticket numbers, the Guinness Record for Yoga performance at a single venue was given to Ahmedabad. Though we had more participants, they had not obtained tickets and over 5,000 people could not enter the venue for various reasons," Randeep said.

"Also, the Gate 7 of the Race Course was reserved for VIPs. Here too, thousands of participants entered the venue and their count could not be taken. In a day or two, we will collate all the data including numbers and resend to the Guinness authorities. We will collect statistics, photographs of the venue, visuals shot by the drone and newspaper reports and send it to them," he said.

The District Administration is now hoping that Mysuru city will set a new world record for the longest yoga chain, created a couple of days before the International Day of Yoga programme.

More than 9,000 school and college students created the yoga chain in front of the Mysore Palace on June 19 with the hope of breaking the world record held by an institution at Perumbudur in Tamil Nadu.

"We have submitted all the documents, including video proof and photographs, to the Guinness authorities. We hope the city sets a new world record in that category," the DC said.

Thanking the media, networking federations, NGOs, officials and Mysureans for their overwhelming support, the DC said that the event would not have reached such a stage without the support of the people and the media.

"In my view, a record has been set as far as Mysuru is concerned. The unprecedented support from the public was moving and was itself a record of sorts," he said.

Yoga champ Kushi, Assistant Director of the Department of Information and Publicity Raju and others were present.

Mysuru pins hope on longest yoga chain to enter the Guinness Book of World Records

Mysuru Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep is seen addressing reporters here yesterday on Mysuru's yoga performance as yoga champion Kushi and Information Department Assistant Director Raju look on.

Two-day INTUC Executive meeting from tomorrow

Mysuru, June 30- The two-day National Executive Committee meeting of Indian National Trade Union Congress (INTUC) will be held on July 1 and 2 in city.

Addressing a pressmeet at Jaladarshini Guest House here yesterday, INTUC Organising Secretary S.S. Prakasam said that Chief Minister Siddharamaiah will inaugurate the event at 10.30 am on July 1 at Hotel LeRuchi near Hinkal on Hunsur Road.

A host of Ministers including Dr.H.C. Mahadevappa, Tanveer Sait, M. Krishnappa and Santosh Lad, MP R. Dhruvanarayan, KPCC President Dr.G. Parameshwara and former Union Minister Oscar Fernandes would participate in the meeting, he said.

Oscar Fernandes will address the participants on the concluding day (July 2), he added.

Prakasam further said that former MP G. Sanjeeva Reddy, who had served as INTUC National President for six decades will participate in the event.

City Congress President R. Murthy, District President B.J. Vijaykumar and INTUC District President Srikanth were present at the press meet.

Beef-eating row at Kalamandira: Minister Umashree seeks report

Bengaluru/Mysuru, June 30- Kannada and Culture Minister Umashree has sought a report with regard to consumption of beef during a function organised at Maneyangala in Kalamandira recently.

Umashree

Sources said that Minister Umashree had instructed Kannada and Culture Director M.S. Archana to file a report on the issue which occurred during a seminar organised by one of the organisations in Mysuru. Besides seeking information on what legal action could be taken against those involved, the Minister is said to have informed the officials that eating beef inside Kalamandira was violation of rules.

Meanwhile, Department of Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Channappa speaking to *Star of Mysore* said that he had already filed a report regarding the same to the higher officials.

He said that since the matter had come to the notice of the Deputy Commissioner, action would be taken against those involved. It is said that the organisation which had held the event was getting grants from Kannada and Culture Department.

Traffic PSI Marigowda to retire today

Mysuru, June 30- Traffic PSI Marigowda is retiring today after over 40 years of service in the Police Department.

Marigowda

Marigowda is attached to Devaraja Traffic Police Station. Joining service in 1977 as a Police Constable, Marigowda had served in various Police Stations of the city, before being promoted as Sub-Inspector in 2016.

He was awarded the Chief Minister's Medal in 2016-17. Marigowda will be given farewell at a function to be held at Devaraja Traffic Police Station later this evening, in which several senior Police Officers will take part.

Add more coaches to Talaguppa train: MP

Mysuru, June 30- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha has asked the Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) of South Western Railway to add more coaches to Mysuru-Talaguppa train. Pointing out that there was only one sleeper coach in the train, the MP said this had inconvenienced a lot of commuters who travel by this train.

Scrutiny of SC students' scholarship list

Mysuru, June 30 - The Department of Social Welfare has prepared the first list of SC students of city and taluk who are studying from 1st to 10th std. and eligible for scholarships.

The Head Masters of Government and private schools can obtain the list from the Office of the Assistant Director of the Department, scrutinise and return the same to the Assistant Director with necessary documents before July 10.

For more details contact the Office of the Assistant Director in Nazarbad here or call Ph: 0821-2520910.

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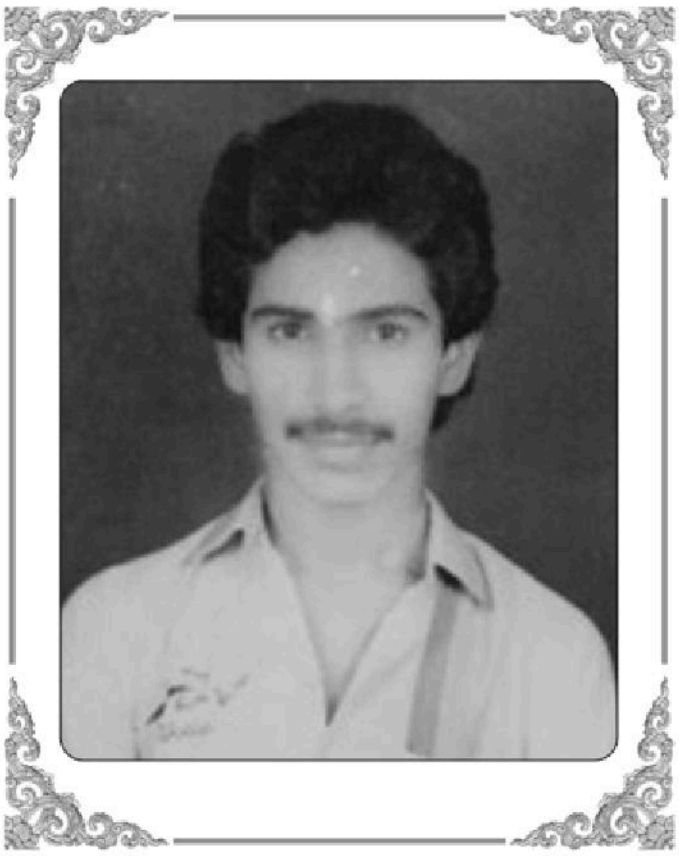

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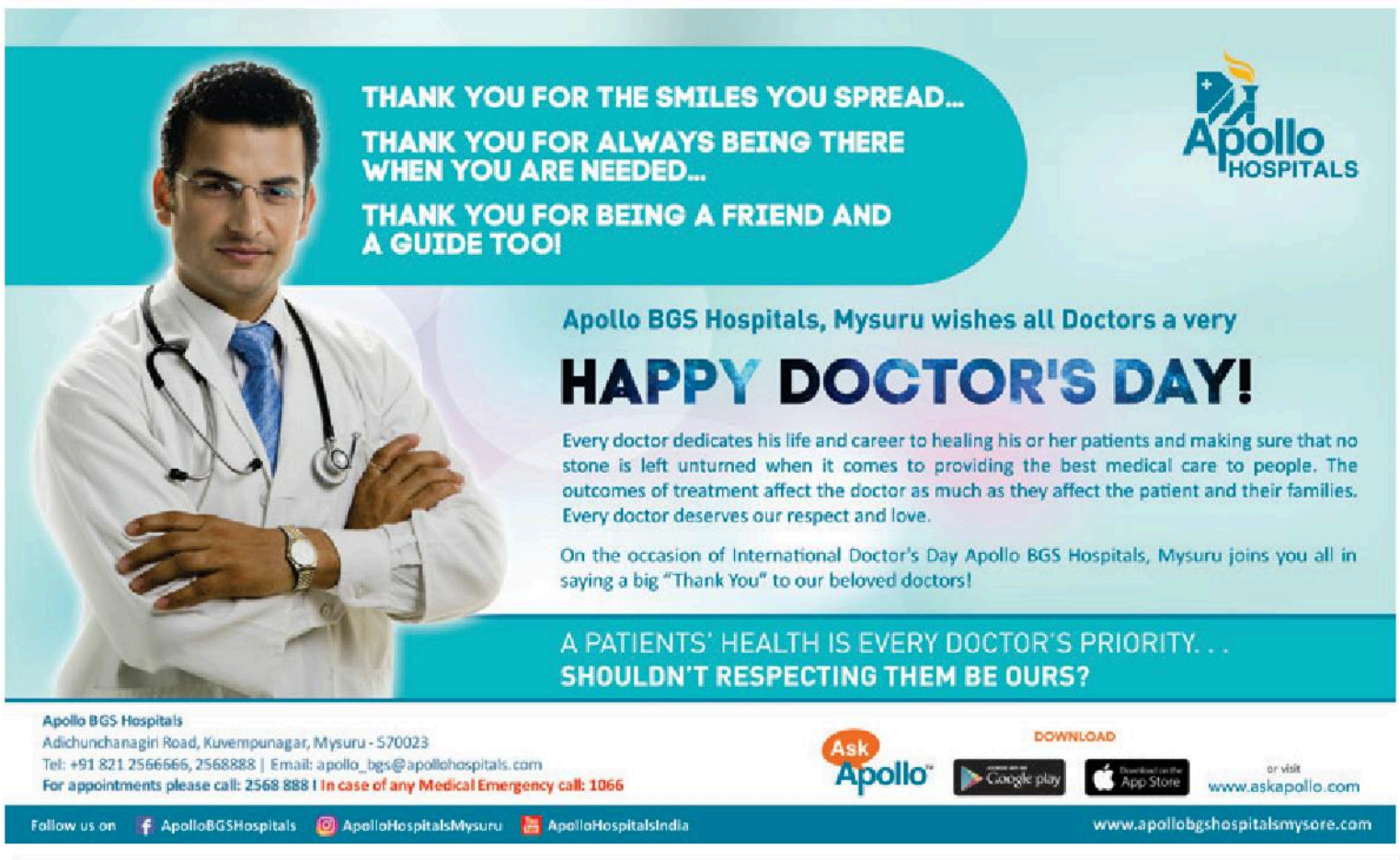
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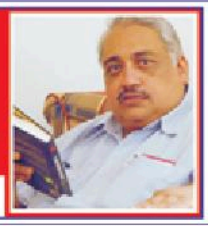

By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

Dengue: The Dilemma and the Drama

There is no denying the fact that our city is facing the very real problem of thousands of people suffering from a very rampant wave of fevers that frequently end in much morbidity and even mortality. Almost every household has someone who has recently gone through or is going through a bout of fever and joint pains.

Every day we see and hear reports in the media of people dying of uncontrolled bleeding and respiratory failure following a febrile illness. The situation may be the same in many other cities too. All wards are full both in govt. and private hospitals and there are reports of people being turned away for want of beds. There is an acute shortage of blood and blood components like platelets that are required to contain blood loss.

Over the past two months sixty percent of the patients turning up at all doctors' clinics are fever cases. The symptoms are uniformly the same: Sudden, unrelenting, high grade fever associated with nausea, severe body ache and crippling joint pains and sometimes a rash too. If the patient is lucky the fever passes off uneventfully, leaving behind the joint pains which can be dismissed as a not-so-serious nuisance unless they happen to be very severe and persistent.

In the not-so-lucky cases, things can take a turn for the worse and become life threatening. The patient can rapidly become moribund and require intensive life support, often for prolonged periods. This is due either to bleeding tendencies or respiratory distress followed by a persistent fall of blood pressure called Dengue Shock which is often unresponsive even to the most aggressive treatment. Recovery from this stage of the illness is difficult and the mortality rate is therefore very high.

This scenario leads most doctors with sufficiently good common sense and clinical acumen to conclude that these may be cases of Dengue Fever, a viral infection transmitted by the bite of a particular species of mosquito. While the diagnosis of many infectious diseases is confirmed by specific laboratory tests the diagnosis of Dengue Fever is not so easy despite many lab tests being available. The reason for this is that there are at least five strains of the Dengue virus and the available tests do not have a high enough specificity and sensitivity to give a clinching diagnosis in all cases.

Moreover, each type of test that can be done quickly and at reasonable cost becomes positive only over a particular stage of the disease and quickly reverts to normal soon after without being able to throw much light retrospectively. **Most other confirmatory tests are very expensive and also so time consuming that by the time their results are received the patient has either made a complete recovery or has passed away. They are therefore only good to make a retrospective diagnosis and settle any diagnostic debates between treating doctors or legal disputes between doctors and patients' relatives!**

So the fact remains that even in a very real case of Dengue it is not easy to make a confirmed diagnosis although all symptoms point to the existence of the problem. In a rather strange and amusing development the government has very strictly ordered that no private hospital or laboratory, however well-equipped, should declare that a patient has Dengue infection, keeping for itself the exalted privilege of doing the honours. It has also mandated that blood samples of all patients clinically suspected to be suffering from Dengue should be sent to a government laboratory for confirmation of the diagnosis and its proclamation to the world.

This is despite the fact that there are many excellent private medical labs in almost all cities with state-of-the-art equipment and all the accreditation that is required to testify to the reliability of their reports. **In doing so the government seems to have bitten off more than it can chew because we find that while blood samples only go into government laboratories the results never come out for days together. Our government simply does not have the equipment and the logistic means to handle this sample load. If someone in the corridors of power wishes to refute this observation and allegation they would do well to tell us how many blood samples have been sent to them by private agencies and how many reports they have issued along with the entry and exit dates.**

This order that muffles the voice and legitimate liberty of private hospitals seems to be tailor-made to avoid embarrassment to the government because an admission that a mosquito-borne disease like Dengue exists also automatically means that the Government has not done enough to eradicate mosquitoes. This can potentially open the doors for loud claims for compensation for the morbidity and mortality suffered by citizens which can become a major embarrassment to the Government.

If my memory serves me right, claims for compensation were made for Dengue deaths not very long ago in a place close to the Chief Minister's own constituency and the Government has also set a precedent by paying it. But the fact remains that mosquitoes have made a resurgence in all our towns and cities, thanks to our open gutters and drains. Instead of covering those up our civic bodies are spending astronomical amounts of money on erecting expensive and completely needless balustrades or digging up age-old and still durable stone sidewalks and replacing them with fragile, short-lived cement blocks.

Mosquito eradication which should be a year-round activity is taken up in cosmetic bursts only when people complain. Fogging in our city seems to be done on just one day every leap year and that too with just fuel oil sans any real insecticide! We have to accept the fact that our society is in the grip of a potentially deadly epidemic that needs to be faced and contained by all the knowledge and means that are at our disposal.

This is therefore not the time to bind uncomfortable realities with bureaucratic red tape and push them under the carpet of Government might. It makes no difference to the severity and seriousness of the problem if we refuse to acknowledge that it is Dengue. Let us accept that by any other name too it is just as real and just as deadly and let us not let the mosquito have the last laugh!

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Private Hospitals' support for implementation of National Health Scheme is vital: Minister

District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa is seen lighting the lamp to inaugurate the Founder's Day and 44th anniversary of Kamakshi Hospital in city yesterday as** (from right) **Hospital Administrator Dr. K.R. Kamath, Managing Trustee Mahesh Shenoi and Joint Managing Trustee Ashok Shenoi look on.

Mysuru, June 30 (SBD& NNN)- District in-Charge and PWD Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa felt that the role of private hospitals was very important in the implementation of national health programmes of maintaining public health.

He was speaking after inaugurating the Founder's Day and the 44th anniversary of Kamakshi Multi-speciality Hospital in Kuvempunagar, here yesterday and said that through the government, 40 per cent of people have been provided health care and the remaining are getting treated at private hospitals. However, the primary health centres are not able to treat even 30 per cent of the patients. Hence, in this direction, the private hospitals should play a major role in the implementation of national health schemes, he urged.

The tabling of the "The Karnataka Private Medical Establishments (Amendment) Bill-2017," recently in the Assembly has caused anxious moments for the private hospitals. Understanding this, Chief Minister Siddharamaiah has sent it for review. Hence, the doctors need not feel anxious, he said.

Kamakshi Hospital is rendering yeoman services. It should be a role model for the other hospitals once the Bill is introduced, he said.

The hospital started by B. Madhava Shenoi and his wife Sulochana Bai in 1975 has grown from a 22-bed hospital to a 220-bed multi-speciality hospital. It is also laudable that the hospital is run by a Trust at affordable costs. Every doctor tries to save the life of a patient till the last breath, but without understanding this, people make allegations against doctors, said Dr. Mahadevappa.

Nurses Elsy, Sunanda Hegde and Bharati who have served in the Hospital for 25 years were felicitated on the occasion. Even the students who had scored high marks in SSLC and PUC examinations held recently including G. Abhinandan, P. Soujanya, Namrata, Poornima and Srinivas were honoured.

Hospital's Senior Trustee M. Vinod Rao, Managing Trustee Mahesh Shenoi, Joint Managing Trustee Ashok Shenoi, Trustee Vishwanath Rao, Administrator Dr. K.R. Kamath, Medical Superintendent Dr. C. Umesh Kamath and others were present.

Inner Wheel District Assembly on Sunday

Mysuru, June 30- The Inner Wheel District Assembly of District 318 will be held at the Mysore Sports Club here on Sunday (July 2).

International Inner Wheel is the largest women's service organisation in the world. District 318 has 1,200 members in 42 Clubs spread over eight revenue districts of Karnataka.

The District Assembly is an annual event where the Chairman for the new term is installed. The President of The Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in India, Patricia Hilton, will install Jayashree Urs and the team of office-bearers for 2017-18 on the occasion which also features an event titled '*SNEHA SURABHI*' hosted by the Inner Wheel Club of Mysore Midtown.

Zoo Executive Director, Mysuru DCF transferred

Mysuru, June 30 - Mysuru Zoo Executive Director K. Kamala Karikalan and Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF), Mysuru Division), Dr. V. Karikalan are among the 13 Indian Forest Service (IFS) officers who have been transferred by the State government yesterday.

In their new postings, Kamala will be the Executive Director of Karnataka Forest Development Corporation (Rubber), Mangaluru while her husband Dr. Karikalan will be the DCF of Mangaluru Division. Vasantha Reddy, DCF of Honnavar Division, will assume charge as the new Zoo Executive Director.

V. Karikalan *K. Kamala*

Kodagu Chief Conservator of Forests (CCF) Manoj Kumar has been posted as CCF, Project Elephant, Bengaluru and CCF and Director of BRT Tiger Reserve S.S. Lingaraju has been posted as CCF, Kodagu Circle. Mangaluru Division DCF K.T. Hanumanthappa has been posted as Mysuru Division DCF.

The couple, Kamala and Karikalan, both 2009 batch IFS officers, had served for almost eight years in Mysuru region in various capacities. For a brief period, they were posted in Bannerghatta.

Speaking to reporters, Kamala Karikalan, who had assumed charge as the Zoo Executive Director just a year ago, said she had a good experience here which was different from other postings. In her short stint at the Zoo, she had brought several animals through exchange programmes.

Solar fencing to check elephant menace in Kodagu

Bengaluru, June 30 - The State Government has decided to install solar fences to check the elephant menace in Kodagu district.

Elaborating on the measures, Minister of State for Statistics, Planning and Science and Technology M.R. Sitaram, who is also the Kodagu district in-charge Minister, said the government will install solar fences across the borders of forests and at those places where man-elephant conflict is high. The fences will be powered with 5KV to 7KV electricity.

Terming the electrocution of four female jumbos in Virajpet a couple of days back 'unfortunate', the Minister said the Forest Department has been asked to submit a report on installation of solar fencing in elephant habitats in Kodagu to prevent death of pachyderms under unnatural circumstances.

He said there has been an increase in man-elephant conflict in the district in the recent past and elephant proof trenches had been created to check the entry of jumbos into human settlements. A few days ago, four people were trampled to death in the district. Electric fences are not a solution as it would be fatal to the animals.

The best option was to have solar fencing points at all elephant entry points so that it would deter them from entering villages, the Minister said. A report from the department concerned had been sought within a month based on which action would be initiated, he said.

FOREST DEPARTMENT BOOKS CESC

Meanwhile, following the electrocution of the four elephants, the Forest Department has filed a case of abetment and hunting against Chamundeshwari Electricity Corporation Limited (CESC). This is the second such case filed against CESC this year. According to Manoj Kumar, Chief Conservator of Forests, Kodagu Circle, the case was filed against CESC and not the estate owner as the deaths were not because of his negligence. A vigilance committee has also been formed to investigate the case.

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Ashada rush at Hill Temple

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Speaking to *Star of Mysore,* Chief Priest Shashishekar Dikshit said, "The pujas to Goddess Chamundeshwari in the Sanctum Sanctorum began at 3 am and it included *Mahayaga Purva Rudrabhisheka, Panchamruthabhisheka, Pushparchane, Kumkumarchane* and *Abhisheka.* Once the pujas were over, the *darshan* began at 5.30 am.

Every *Ashada Shukravara,* this tradition will continue," and added, "the Abhisheka will be performed between 6.30 pm and 7 pm and the doors of the temple will again be thrown open to the devotees from 7 pm onwards till 10.30 pm."

"During the *Ashada Masa* (season), prayers are performed to appease the Shakti Devathas, during Shravana Masa, it is performed for Vishnu and Kartika Masa pujas will be performed for Shiva. *Ashada* is the only season where the husband and wife can come together and perform pujas as during other seasons, for various reasons they will not be together," said Shashishekar.

Festive atmosphere

There was festive atmosphere in the air, as the first *Ashada Shukravara* began in the morning. Sri Chamundeshwari Seva Samiti which has been organising special floral decoration *(Hoovina Alankara)* since the past 28 years, also decorated the temple this year beautifully with chrysanthemums of different hues of red, yellow, white and purple.

Youths, both boys and girls in large numbers, a very old lady bent, holding a walking stick, couples were all seen visiting the temple.

Chamundeshwari Temple Chief Priest Shashishekar Dikshit is seen offering** mangalarathi **to the idol of Goddess Chamundeshwari this morning.

AT LALITHA MAHAL HELIPAD

KSRTC had provided free bus services to devotees from Lalitha Mahal Helipad to Chamundi Hill temple.

District Administration had made arrangements for drinking water at Lalitha Mahal Helipad.

Devotees passing through the barricades to board the KSRTC buses at Lalitha Mahal Helipad.

Orderly queues

Three separate queues for free darshan, for people paying Rs. 30 and also for those paying Rs. 300 for special darshan has been earmarked. The Police had made very good bandobust and there was orderly queues right from early morning. There was no confusion as people followed the queue system regulated by the Police who were keeping a hawk's eye.

In earlier years, the people were seen jumping queues and even joining the VVIP queue. But this year there is a separate queue for VVIPs and strict arrangements have been made to see that they have a disturbance-free darshan at the sanctum sanctorum.

DCP H. T. Shekar and his team supervised the security arrangements atop the hill, while Nazarbad Police Inspector M.L. Shekar and his team were in charge of the arrangements at the Helipad. DC D. Randeep visited the hill.

Former Minister Suresh Kumar was seen serving food at the Dasoha Bhavan to the devotees. The menu included Bisibele Bath, rice, rasam, holige and butter milk. The Sri Chamundeshwari Seva Samiti has also organised Annasantharpane (food is served free), which is in its eleventh year.

AT CHAMUNDI HILL TEMPLE

This picture is proof of poor quality and unscientific road works atop Chamundi Hill where stagnant water seems to greet the Ashada devotees amidst dengue scare in city.

Devotees winding through the barricades to have darshan of Goddess Chamundeshwari atop Hill Temple.

The floral decoration comprising variety of Chrysanthemums (sevanthige) was the main attraction of at the temple.

Pre-GST sale in city: Shopaholics indulge in shopping-spree

Special session of Parliament today midnight to roll-out Goods and Services Tax

Mysuru, June 30 (RKB&VNS)- With the Goods and Services Tax (GST) coming into effect from midnight today, it's raining discounts at many of the showrooms across the city to clear the inventories.

Shopaholics were seen making a beeline to the shops at the main shopping areas to purchase clothes, shoes and electronic items. Some of the shops are offering 50 percent, upto 50 percent discounts for pre-GST sales.

One of the electronic shops in the city was found empty this morning. When asked, the Store Manager said majority of their items were sold as the company had offered great discounts on various electronic items and added that the fresh stock would arrive tomorrow after the GST came into effect.

The Devaraja Urs Road, which is normally busy, has got busier over the past week as almost all the shops are offering discounts. Similar is the case on Sayyaji Rao Road, Dhanvanthri Road, New Kantharaja Urs Road and other areas. Not only the shops, the e-Commerce website such as Flipkart, Amazon and others too have offered great discounts.

Many shop owners, who spoke to *SOM,* said that though they had incurred losses by offering discounts they were ready for the GST as it would help in country's economic growth and bring a lot of funds for the development.

Meanwhile, Ramesh Gowda, a Chartered Accountant, said it was a great move to launch GST across the country. "Many taxes have been clubbed together under one single tax system. Though traders would find it tough to understand the GST things will be normal within 2-3 months. GST will also bring in a lot of transparency into the economy," he added.

Special Parliament Session

The Union Government has called for a special session of Parliament today midnight to roll-out the Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will deliver a speech during the special session in the presence of President Pranab Mukherjee.

Vice-President Hamid Ansari, Speaker Sumithra Mahajan and former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda will be present.

According to sources, Bollywood actor Amitabh Bachchan, industrialist Ratan Tata, singer Lata Mangeshkar have also been invited for the event.

The session will begin at 11 pm today and end at 12.10 am tomorrow (July 1).

However, Congress and Trinamool Congress have decided to boycott the special session in protest against the launch of GST.

Previously, the joint session of the Parliament has been held on four occasions. The first one was held on the day India attained freedom on the midnight of Aug.14, 1947 when the then Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru delivered his famous *'Tryst with Destiny'* speech. The second session was held in 1972 to mark the silver jubilee of Indian Independence. The third session took place in 1992 to mark the Golden Jubilee of Quit India Movement and fourth midnight session during 1997 to mark the Golden Jubilee of Independence.

Attention diversion criminals are back

Family that had come to shopping at Shivarampet robbed; two incidents last evening

Mysuru, June 30 (RK&BCT) - After lying low for a few months, criminals who robbed victims by diverting their attention are back to haunt Mysureans. Two cases were reported in the city yesterday evening in the busy Shivarampet area that comes under Devaraja Police limits.

In the first incident reported at around 7.45 pm, a family of shoppers was robbed near Mannar's Market. According to the Police and the family sources, Hemalatha, her daughter Pooja, residents of Bamboo Bazaar went in a Maruti Celerio car along with Pooja's friend Dhanmai, her father Suresh and Sophia for shopping.

Dhanmai and her family joined Pooja at Bamboo Bazaar from their house in Vijayanagar at around 5.30 pm and they had hired one Mahesh to drive the car. They headed towards K.T. Street and D. Devaraja Urs Road. After shopping there, the car arrived on the Shivarampet Road. As the family wanted to purchase some items at Navkas Artificial Jewellery, they asked Mahesh to stop the car around four to five shops away.

While the family entered the shop to purchase jewellery items, Mahesh was waiting inside the car. After some time, a man created a scene in front of the car saying that he was robbed by some persons. People had gathered around him and he was being questioned as to who had robbed him.

Seeing the commotion, Mahesh got down from the car and headed towards the crowd. Seizing the opportunity, another man, an accomplice of the person who claimed that he was robbed, came near the family's car and stole a bag that was placed on the back seat.

Though the family members were witnessing the scene from the shop they had gone to purchase artificial jewellery, they did not realise that the bag in the car has been stolen. The bag contained two gold rings, an expensive Rado wristwatch, one iPhone, one Oppo phone, 3 ATM cards, PAN and Aadhaar card and Rs. 15,000 in cash.

Returning from shopping, the family was shocked to see the bag missing and they enquired driver Mahesh who told them that he was near the crowd and was not aware of the bag. The family later rushed to the Devaraja Police Station to lodge a complaint. Inspector Thimmaraju has registered a case.

As the family was lodging the complaint, another person came to the same Police station claiming that his money and valuables was stolen by some person who diverted his attention by throwing a Rs. 10 currency note at him at Shivarampet. The Police are, however, yet to book a complaint.

Mandya farmers block road

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According to farmers, water had just started flowing into the KRS Dam due to rains in Kodagu. Though the dam is yet to reach a comfortable water level, the government is releasing water to Tamil Nadu. On June 28, the outflow was 1,092 cusecs and yesterday, it went up to 1,140 cusecs. This morning, the outflow was recorded at 2,365 cusecs and this had enraged the farmers.

Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha faction led by Shankaregowda blocked the highway at Sir M.V. Statue near the DC Office, demanding an immediate stop to water release. Another faction led by K.S. Puttannaiah led by Shambunahalli Suresh staged a demonstration in front of Cauvery Neeravari Nigam office at Sanjay Circle and blocked the road to register their protest.

In another protest, nearly 100 members of Karnataka Rakshana Vedike too staged a demonstration at Sir M.V. Statue. The activists after staging demonstration for some time took out a semi-nude procession in the main thoroughfares of the town in protest against the water release.

Dengue awareness held at MCC Ward 56

Mysuru, June 30(PM&DM)- Continuing their awareness campaign to sensitise the residents on the measures to be taken for preventing dengue and other vector-borne diseases, the Department of Health and Family Welfare and MCC today undertook a door-to-door campaign at Nehru Nagar near Sathagalli KSRTC Depot, coming under MCC Ward 56.

Forming four teams, students of Shantaveri Gopala Gowda Nursing College and staff of Primary Health Centre (PHC), Jockey quarters, visited every household in the locality, distributing pamphlets and educating the residents on the precautionary measures to be taken for preventing vector-borne diseases.

Even as the teams set out for distributing pamphlets, MCC civic workers went about removing bushes and weeds, cleaning drainages and other cleanliness works in the locality. Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep visited the area and inspected the cleaning works.

DHO Dr. Basavaraj, MCC Health Officers Dr. Nagaraj and Dr. Zahare Tabassum, MCC Zone-9 AC Puttaseshagiri, Jockey Quarters PHC in-charge Dr. Nalini and other officials were present.

Man kills his mother with dosa tawa

Mysuru, June 30 (RK&BCT)- In a fit of rage, a 50-year-old man murdered his 85-year-old mother in city this morning by repeatedly hitting her head with a cast-iron dosa tawa. After committing the crime, he coolly went to the Police Station and told the cops that he had killed his mother.

The incident occurred at Sunnadakeri 9th Cross and the victim has been identified as Govindamma. She had three sons and lived with her youngest son Sundaram. Her other sons are the residents of Bogadi and Nanjangud.

Sundaram's wife had deserted him since many years and there were some family issues that led to frequent quarrels between him and his mother. Today morning too, Sundaram picked up a quarrel with his mother and unable to control his anger, he picked up a dosa tawa and hit Govindamma repeatedly.

As he hit her repeatedly, Govindamma bled to death. Seeing his mother in a pool of blood, Sundaram locked the house and headed straight to K.R. Police Station and told the cops that he had hit his mother with the tawa and she was dead.

The Police rushed to his house and shifted the body to the MMCR&I mortuary

Apollo Hospitals extends Air Ambulance services to Mysuru

Mysuru, June 30 - Apollo Hospitals has announced the extension of its air ambulance services network to Mysuru through its current hubs in Chennai, Hyderabad and Bengaluru.

Several people in India do not get medical attention within the 'Golden Hour' which is very crucial in saving lives. Apollo's air ambulance service will address the emergency medical need of people who are on the outskirts and far from the city limits.

In the last one month, this is the second initiative undertaken by Apollo for Mysuru after launching Karnataka's first state-of-the-art gastroenterology unit for performing rare and unusual procedures.

Each of the Apollo air ambulances will be manned by a full-fledged medical crew trained in critical pre-hospital care protocols to address emergency victims and critically-ill patients. The launch is in partnership with Bengaluru-based Air Aviators Rescue who will provide helicopters and the logistics support to Apollo Hospitals.

The air ambulance was launched recently by Dr. J. Radhakrishnan, Principal Secretary to Government of Tamil Nadu, Health and Family Welfare Department and Dr. Prathap Reddy, Chairman, Apollo Hospitals Group, in the presence of Dr. Preetha Reddy, Vice-Chairperson, Apollo Hospitals Group and Capt. Arun Sharma, Managing Director, Aviators Air Rescue Pvt. Ltd.

Apollo Hospitals pioneered air ambulance emergency services in the country way back in 2003 with subsequent launch of these services in Delhi and Bengaluru in 2004 and 2007.

Speaking on the occasion, Prathap Reddy said, "We have always believed all Indians across metros and smaller cities and towns must receive international quality care. It gives me immense satisfaction extending this service to Mysuru. With this launch I hope that we have increased the chances of patients in smaller towns and cities getting medical attention they deserve in the 'Golden Hour'.

Unlike other helicopters, these helicopters are built exclusively for transporting emergency victims. The medical crew for all transfers is from Apollo Hospitals. A set of trained and qualified emergency physicians and paramedics have been specially trained for air evacuations and these teams will be on all air-transfers. These services offer support to all types of accident and emergency patients including paediatric patients.

HOW IT WORKS

- **Patient's relatives can call Apollo Emergency Response Service 1066 and provide primary information regarding emergency.**
- A doctor will assess the medical condition and provide on-call first-aid advice to manage the patient till medical help arrives.
- The doctor will approve the mode of transportation (ground / air ambulance) and will alert the emergency dispatch management unit.
- Ground ambulance provides onsite primary medical care and shifts patient to the nearest stabilisation centre to preserve the 'Golden Hour.'
- Ground ambulance transfers the patient to the predetermined helicopter landing zone.
- The patient will be brought to nearest Apollo Hospital for immediate care from the closest

When Swiss Air Ambulance airlifted a patient from Mysuru...

The first patient to be shifted from Mysuru in an air ambulance to a foreign country was when international health agencies and a health insurance company sent an international air ambulance from Switzerland to Mysuru to airlift its client *[A report in this regard was published in SOM dated Jan.30, 2012]*.

The air ambulance arrived at Mysore Airport to pick up a foreign tourist who was admitted and treated at **Apollo BGS Hospital.** The patient was shifted after stabilisation and recovery as she expressed her desire to go back to her country since she was alone.

The 65-year-old patient from Switzerland had come to a resort in Kodagu where she developed massive blood vomiting along with passage of blood in the stool. She was immediately shifted to Apollo BGS Hospitals, Mysuru, in a critical state with very low blood pressure.

A team of doctors attended to her and stabilised her. After recovering, she expressed her strong desire to go back to her country, Switzerland. She, with the assistance of Apollo doctors, called the insurance company which responded immediately. The insurance company responded within 36 hours and a Swiss Air Ambulance (REGA) with medial and paramedical staff arrived at Mysore Airport from Switzerland via Cochin. She was later airlifted to Switzerland.

"Vaidya Bhaskar" Award presentation on July 1

Mysuru, June 30 -On the occasion of World Doctors' Day, city-based Ayurveda Prachara Parishat Trust has organised "Vaidya Bhaskar" Awards ceremony tomorrow to felicitate five doctors who have rendered selfless service to society.

The event will be held on July 1 at the Institution of Engineers, JLB Road, at 10.15 am. Former Minister P.G.R. Sindhya will inaugurate. Former Minister M. Shivanna will give away the awards.

Eminent doctors Dr. Ramachandraraje Urs, Dr. K.S. Shantharam, Dr. K.S. Umashankar, Dr. Siddesh Aradhyamutt and Dr. A.F. Krishnamurthy will be given the "Vaidya Bhaskar" award.

At the event, retired Director of Health and Family Welfare Department Dr. D. Thimmaiah will unveil the portrait of Dr. B.C. Roy as July 1 marks the birth anniversary (and death anniversary) of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy, a legendary physician. Chairman of Mysore Paints and Varnish Limited H.A. Venkatesh will preside.

Litterateur Dr. C.P. Krishnakumar will speak about senior writer Prof. K. Bhairvamurthy on the occasion of his birthday. Social worker K. Raghuram, A.S. Satish and Rathna Halappagowda will be the chief guests.

DrLive Start-Up gets grants under Idea2PoC (Proof of Concept)

IT&BT Minister Priyank Kharge is seen presenting the award to Mysurean Chethan Channakeshava** (second from right) **and Pratap Palthady** (extreme left), **co-founders of DrLive, in Bengaluru recently.

Mysuru, June 30 - DrLive, a Bengaluru-based company, was adjudged as one of the most innovative Start-Ups in the technology space as part of the Karnataka's Start-up Policy.

IT&BT Minister Priyank Kharge awarded the grant to the company under Idea2PoC (Proof of Concept) programme.

Chethan Channakeshava and Pratap Palthady, co-founders of DrLive, received the award from the Minister at an event in Bengaluru recently.

DrLive is a healthcare technology firm focused on building the next generation telemedicine solutions, based out of Bengaluru. The company has been rated amongst the top healthcare technology providers 2017 in India by Silicon India.

Chethan, who is a BE graduate from SJCE, Mysuru, is the son of C.G. Channakeshava and Vasanthi. He completed MS from New York and MBA from Boston, USA.

Pratap, son of Prakash and Geeta, is also a BE graduate from SIT Tumakuru and has completed MS from New York.

Practical test for Cooks and Assistants

Mysuru, June 30- The practical test for vacant posts of Cooks and Assistants in District Backward Classes Welfare Department for selected eligible candidates will be held on July 3 at 9.30 am and on July 4 at 9 am at Nanjaraja Bahadur Choulty on Vinoba road here.

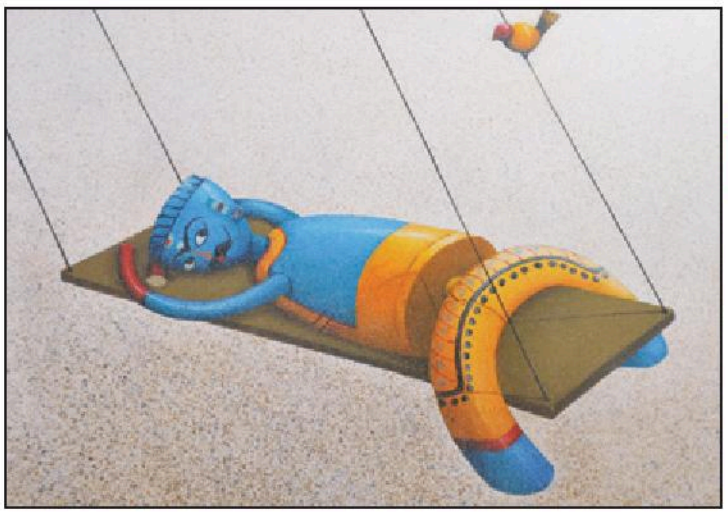
The candidates are expected to prepare food items like Uppittu, Chapathi, Ragi ball, Puliyogare etc. in 30 minutes.

The list of eligible candidates for practical test is uploaded on the Department website *mysore.nic.in.* They can download the call letters and appear for the practical test.

For more details call Ph: 0821-2342917 or email: *dobcmmysore1@gmail.com.*

A curator who promotes young artists

Curator N. Vijayalakshmi, who is holding a three-day 'Art For All' painting expo at Suchitra Art Gallery in Kalamandira premises, seen with the paintings.



By N. Niranjan Nikam

There was no razzmatazz. He was quietly going about hanging the paintings on the wall even as the lady who had segregated it was guiding him. The art shows are usually a hep affair. But the lady, **N. Vijayalakshmi,** though a Mysurean, was back to her roots after almost 40 years, wanted it to be a quiet launch.

"I call this art exhibition 'Art For All, an affordable art show.' My associate **Balakrishna** assists me in arranging the paintings. I have always promoted young artists who do not have the ability to put up shows because it costs lot of money to hold an exhibition," said curator Vijayalakshmi, sitting at the Suchitra Art Gallery in Kalamandira premises, speaking to *Star of Mysore*.

Vijayalakshmi, who started the gallery in Chennai called *Vinnyasa Premier Art Gallery* ran it for 20 years and she used to host the painting exhibitions every year. "I myself used to paint and have held exhibitions in Delhi at Maurya Sheraton where I painted mountains and trees as part of World Environment Day," she said.

She has never believed in selling paintings at fancy prices. "I always tell the young artists that they have to make a choice. Either, you can mark up the price, take a chance and make a big sale or sell more paintings instead of seeing them gathering dust," she said.

As this is the first time Vijayalakshmi is curating an exhibition in Mysuru, she said that she did not want to sell the paintings at cosmopolitan city rates. Talking a little more about what entails organising a show of this sort, she said, "I never look at the bio-data of a painter. I myself am not a trained artist. What I look for is whether they are good. Even untrained artists have hidden talents and they are the types whom I have always given a chance."

Her father **R. Krishnaswamy** is a well-known name in Mysuru who used to sell stationery items. "I have seen him selling colours and paints. That is how I developed an interest in painting. Of course, those days we did not have the courage to tell our parents that we were interested in doing what we wanted to do. Hence, I quietly studied science subjects," she recalled.

While she was in Mumbai, there were only two main galleries, one Jehangir Art Gallery and the other at Taj. For the uninitiated, putting up a show is very time-consuming and a costly affair that involves painting cost, charges for the gallery, calling the media, transportation, to name a few. After all this, there is no guarantee that the sales would be good.

However, having held art shows for more than 25 years, she firmly believes that it is the young artists who need all encouragement. "I tell senior artists to co-operate and luckily they have joined hands with younger ones in my shows," she said.

What is affordable rates according to Vijayalakshmi? "When I started selling it was as low as Rs. 100. When I closed down my gallery I have sold paintings for even Rs. 50,000. Here also I am selling from as low as Rs. 100 to the expensive one of Rembrandt at Rs. 30,000," she said.

Some of the young artists who have gone on to carve out a name in the art world include Aragesan, Shivaram (an untrained artist), Murugesan, Usha Devi, Selva Chandra Kumar and even Mysuru's Jayadeva.

The paintings on display include landscapes, abstracts, semi modern, realistic, Rembrandt reproductions, besides a few sculptures. The pencil sketches of Ramana Maharshi and M.S. Subbalakshmi catches the eye as well as the one of a clown. "The painter who did the clown painting Balasidda was a brilliant painter who drank himself to death," she said.

Asked about Suchitra Art Gallery, Vijayalakshmi said, "The location is beautiful. However, the gallery could be much better organised. The walls should be plain and there should be reapers to hang the paintings; this is not the area for wooden panelling, lights are not properly placed."

Vijayalakshmi, who firmly believes, "Art comes from heart," plans to encourage young artists in Mysuru and hold more such art shows in the days to come.

The art show that opened today (June 30) will be held till July 2 from 10 am to 8 pm.

Kollegal tailors refuse to stitch 'transparent' girls' uniforms

Kollegal, June 30 (Nagendra)- Today the Government claims to be 'transparent' in all its dealings. Unfortunately, sometimes, it takes it too literally.

The result is embarrassment not only to it but also to those on whose behalf it takes decisions. Such a 'transparent' incident has occurred in Kollegal where the tailors have refused to stitch uniforms for girls, as the cloth supplied is too thin and transparent.

If the girls wear the clothes supplied then they will have to face very embarrassing moments and moreover, the clothes cannot be stitched as the cloth supplied is of very poor quality. The act of the Education Department for supplying such a quality of cloth is being criticised by the parents and a few organisations.

"We wear clothes to protect our dignity. But the way the officials have so callously approved the cloth shows their commitment to the job. However, this is the first time that such poor quality material was distributed among the girl students in the district," said farmer leader Nanjundaswamy. This incident has been brought to the notice of the Education Department in Bengaluru and the Commissioner personally has called for the samples of the cloth. He has asked DDPI Manjula to give a report on the issue.

"I will be sending a report regarding this issue to the Government," Manjula told *SOM*.

Meanwhile, Kunthur Government Primary and High School SDMC Member Basavanna and the Head Master along with BEO Manjula visited Bengaluru with the sample material.

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Sewage water, parthenium causing problems at Rajivnagar

Sewage water is flowing near the locked house on 3rd Main Road, 13th Cross in Rajivnagar 2nd Stage causing a lot of problems to the residents living in the surroundings. Also, parthenium has grown in plenty resulting in allergic reactions to many. Authorities concerned are urged to take action at the earliest for the benefit of the residents.

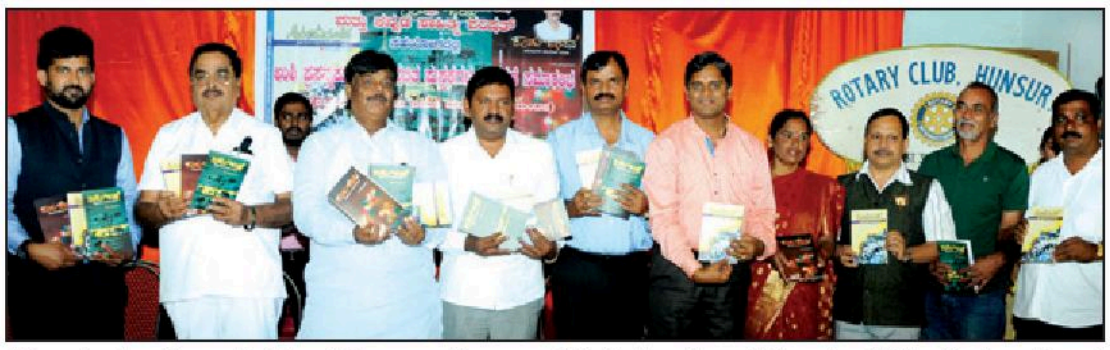
Urge to clear garbage near Hebbal Choultry

Garbage which is dumped near Hebbal Choultry and adjacent to a park has become an eyesore and is attracting flies and mosquitoes. Authorities concerned are urged to get the garbage cleared for the benefit of all.

Plea to asphalt this road at Saraswathipuram

This road in Saraswathipuram 3rd Main, 8th Cross is not asphalted since three months causing a lot of inconvenience to motorists and residents. Authorities concerned are urged to asphalt this road before rain intensifies.

3 books of Amshi Prasanna Kumar on forests and tribes released in Hunsur



Three books of journalist Amshi Prasanna Kumar on 'Life in Forests and Struggle of Tribes' being released by District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, Forest Minister B. Ramanath Rai and MP Pratap Simha at Rotary Bhavan here on Wednesday as others look on..

Hunsur, June 30 (US&RG)- Rotary Club in association with Taluk Kannada Sahitya Parishat had organised a function at Rotary Bhavan here on Wednesday for the release of the three books of journalist Amshi Prasanna Kumar on *'Life in Forests and Struggle of Tribes.'*

The books were released by District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, Forest Minister B. Ramanath Rai and MP Pratap Simha, who commended that the books have exposed the problems of forest tribes, human-animal conflicts, protection of wildlife and on Forest Rights Act.

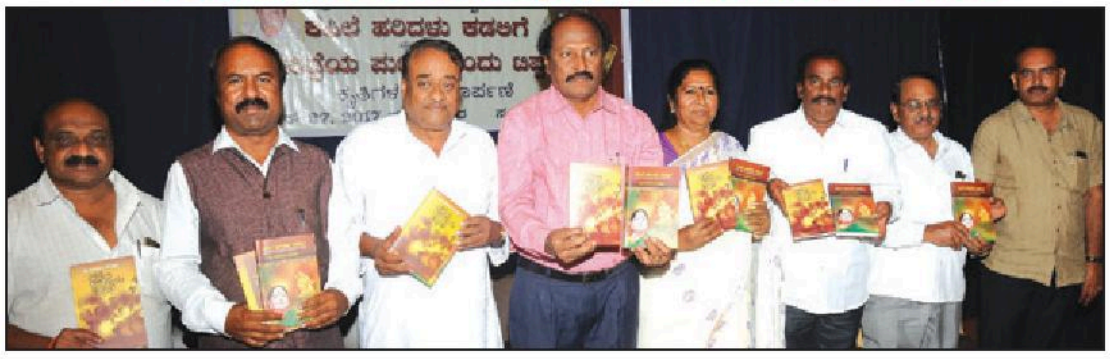
Inaugurating the programme, MLA H.P. Manjunath said that enough work had been done to bring the forest tribes to the main stream of the society and opined that the books of Prasanna Kumar would help to solve the problems.

Music University Registrar Dr. Niranjan Vanalli, Wildlife Photographer Krupakar, DEED Chief Dr.S. Srikanth, Rotary Club President Shivakumar V. Rao, District Chairman Narayan, Publisher D.N. Lokappa and others were present.

Masthamma, a herbs specialist was felicitated on the occasion.

'Centre should honour India's multi-lingual society character'

Two books of Prof. Maleyuru Guruswamy released



Mysuru, June 30 (US&SBD)- Samvahana Prakashana along with District Kannada Sahitya Parishat had organised a programme at Rajendra Bhavan in JSS Hospital premises for the release of two books written by Prof. Maleyuru Guruswamy here recently.

The books *'Kapile Haridalu Kadalige'* and *'Charithreya Putakke Ondu Tippani'* were released by Writer K. Veerabhadrappa.

Releasing the books, Veerabhadrappa opined that the Union Government should honour the multi-lingual society of the country instead of attempting to enforce compulsory learning of the national language Hindi. He added that such a compulsion in Southern States would have repercussion on the government.

He pointed out that a good writer should voice against harassment on women and the downtrodden. He commended the works of Prof. Maleyuru Guruswamy, which highlights the achievement of a Devadasi woman Nagarathnamma from Nanjangud which speaks on respect for Devadasis. He added that Nagarathnamma became a great musician in Tamil Nadu and strove for the welfare of Devadasis and also excelled as a writer.

Sanskrit University Vice-Chancellor Dr. Padma Shekar presided. Former Member of Kannada Sahitya Academy Mahesh Harave spoke on the books. District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Dr.Y.D. Rajanna, Samvahana Prakashana's publisher D.N. Lokappa and writer Prof. Maleyuru Guruswamy were present.

Children of Pourakarmikas get free membership for 'Trin Trin'

Mysuru, June 30 (US&PM)- Marking the first anniversary of Deepa Sahaya Seva Samsthe, a programme was organised at the 'Trin Trin' cycle docking station in front of Regional Transport Office (RTO) here recently to distribute free membership cards to the Trin Trin bicycle sharing system to 50 children of poor families and Pourakarmikas.

Speaking on the occasion Excise Commissioner Smitha Rao said that the move of promoting usage of bicycles by Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to protect the environment was commendable which should be used well by the youth today. Former Mayor Purushotham, Deepa Samsthe President Jogi Deepu, Social Activist K. Raghuram and others were present.

MCC to allot alternative lands for 'Yele Thota' farmers

Mayor, MCC Commissioner, Corporators, officials inspect land near Sewage Farm

Mayor M.J. Ravikumar and MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha along with Corporators and MCC officials inspecting the land near Sewage Farm here on Wednesday.

Mysuru, June 30 (RKB&KS)- In a bid to make beetle leaf farmers undertake farming activities, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has decided to provide alternative lands to farmers of 'Yele Thota' whose lands were acquired by the then City Improvement Trust Board (CITB) in 1949 for the development of city.

On Wednesday, a team of MCC officials, led by Mayor M.J. Ravikumar and Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, in the presence of land losers, inspected the land in Survey Numbers 119, 179 and 180 near Sewage Farm, identified for allotment to the farmers.

The CITB in 1949 had acquired lands from betel leaf farmers at Malalawadi, Kasaba hobli in Mysuru taluk and had given compensation only to land owners.

As those who were growing beetle leaf by taking the land on contract were in dire straits, the then government had ordered to provide 5 guntas land each to 245 SC farmers .

Honouring the Government order, lands were given to the farmers at Nachanahalli but the authorities failed to issue Title Deeds and other related documents due to some problems.

But, the MCC took over the lands in 2004 to dump waste rendering 98 of the 245 farmers loosing the land and the land losers have been demanding alternative lands along with necessary documents.

Mayor Ravikumar, who spoke after inspecting the land said that a proposal to allot five guntas land to each farmer would be sent to the State Government for approval after holding discussions at the MCC Council meeting to be held tomorrow (June 30).

He said "Mysuru Beetle Leaf is famous worldwide. The issue pertaining to provide alternative lands to beetle leaf growers was pending since a long time. Beneficiaries, after receiving the lands should used it for growing beetle leaf and for agricultural purpose only and cannot use the land for commercial purpose. If the beneficiaries are found using the land for commercial purpose, the MCC would confiscate the land."

Former Mayors B.L. Bhyrappa, Srikantaiah, Purushotham and Pushpalatha Chikkanna, former Deputy Mayors Mahadevappa, V. Shailendra and Mahadevamma, Corporators K.V. Mallesh, Cheluvegowda, Shivakumar, M.K. Shankar, Haseena Taj, Ashwini Ananthu, Umamani, Ranthnamma, Assistant Commissioner Suresh Babu, Kumar Nayak, Executive Engineer Manjunath, Zonal Commissioner Javaregowda and others were present during the inspection.

Bike-lifter arrested

Two bikes worth Rs. 1.5 lakh recovered

Mysuru, June 30 (KS)- Metagalli Police, on June 28, have arrested a person on charges lifting two-wheelers and have recovered two bikes worth about Rs. 1.5 lakh from him.

The arrested person has been identified as Stanley, a native of Mullusoge village, Somwarpet taluk in Kodagu district.

Metagalli Police, who were on their regular beat, found Stanley standing near Basavanagudi Circle along with a KTM bike without registration plate and took him into custody.

During interrogation, the accused is said to have confessed of lifting the bike near a hostel in Kuvempunagar Police limits and on further interrogation, the accused also told the Police that he had also lifted a Bajaj Pulsar bike near JSS Hospital in Agrahara.

Based on the information provided by the accused, the Police have recovered both the bikes from him.

It is learnt that the accused has two-wheeler theft cases in Vijayanagar, Jayalakshmipuram and Saraswathipuram Police Stations and was out on bail.

Metagalli Inspector H.T. Sunil Kumar, SI Vishwanath, ASI Ponnappa and staff Sundar, Mallikarjunappa, Lingarajappa, Sukesh, Shivakumar, Harish, Krishna and Asha took part in the nabbing and recovery operation.

Pedestrian injured as bus runs over leg

Mysuru, June 30 (RK&KS) - A pedestrian, who was standing near Surya Bakery Circle in Hebbal was severely injured when a KSRTC bus ran over his leg yesterday night.

The injured pedestrian, identified as 50-year-old Nagasundara of Hebbal has been admitted to K.R. Hospital here.

The KSRTC city bus (KA 09 F 4367) which came from Vidyavardhaka Engineering College side at about 7.50 pm yesterday, was taking a turn at Surya Bakery Circle towards Abhishek Circle when the rear wheel of the bus ran over Nagasundara who was standing near the circle resulting in him suffering severe leg injuries.

He was immediately rushed to K.R. Hospital. V.V. Puram Traffic Inspector Vivek and staff, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar and registered a case.

The public have urged the authorities concerned to prevent accidents at the circle, as it is small and very congested besides heavy movement of vehicles, which is making it difficult for the public even to cross the road.

House burgled: Rs. 2.5 lakh gold ornaments stolen

Mysuru, June 30 (YDS&KS) - Miscreants, who entered a house by breaking the door, have made good with gold ornaments worth about Rs. 2.5 lakh in Hootagalli.

Shivanna, the owner of the house on Marigudi Street in Hootagalli had locked the house on June 27 morning and had gone out for some work.

When he returned the next day morning, he found the front door of the house broken and when he entered the house and examined, he found 98 grams gold ornaments, Rs. 30,000 cash and two pass books of SBI Bank missing.

He immediately lodged a complaint at Vijayanagar Police Station.

Vijayanagar Police, who have registered a case in this regard are investigating.

Mandya Tahsildar lodges complaint against ex-Tahsildar

Land alienation through fake documents

Mandya, June 30- Mandya Tahsildar Maruti Prasanna has lodged a complaint with the Police, accusing his predecessor Tahsildar, Shirastedar and other officials of permitting land alienation through fake documents.

In his complaint with the Mandya West Police on June 3, Maruti Prasanna has accused the then Tahsildar Priyadarshini, who is currently serving as an MCC Zonal Assistant Commissioner, Mandya Taluk Office Shirastedar Sridhar, Belur PDO and Mallesh, son of one Kariyappa of being involved in the illegality.

Details: The land in question is a 1 acre and 16 guntas area of land located in Survey No. 825 of Guttalu village in Kottatti hobli of Mandya taluk. The said land's documents was issued in the name of one Channaiah Vide ALNCR 74/86-87. The same also finds mention in the RTC, which stands in the name of Sannamma, wife of Channaiah. The creation of fake documents came to light when Channaiah's sons gave a written submission stating that there was no documentation done in respect of the boundary of their land.

RTI activist K.R. Ravindra, accusing Mallesh of creating fake documents in getting land alienation with involvement of officials, lodged a complaint with the Mandya SP on Mar. 16, 2016 seeking action against everyone involved in cheating.

Ravindra, in his complaint, had named the then Tahsildar Priyadarshini, Shirastedar Sridhar, Belur PDO and Mallesh of being hand in glove in the creation of fake documents.

The SP, after receiving the complaint, forwarded it to the Deputy Commissioner for necessary action, following which the DC directed the AC to conduct a probe into the matter.

The AC, who conducted a probe, submitted a report saying that the charges were found to be prima facie true.

Following directions from the Assistant Commissioner, the Tahsildar lodged a complaint with Mandya West Police.

Mother, daughter go missing from city

Deviramma *Lakshmi*

Mysuru, June 30 (KS)- A mother and her daughter has been reported missing from June 19 from city.

The mother identified as 33-year-old Deviramma is 5 ft. tall, oily red complexioned, has a mole below the left ear, speaks Kannada and was wearing a red coloured saree. The daughter identified as five-year-old Lakshmi is 3 ft. tall, oily red complexioned, speaks Kannada and was wearing a blue and white coloured T-Shirt at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about the missing persons may contact Lashkar Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418107 or 2418307 or contact Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339/340.

ICC Women's World Cup 2017

Smriti Mandhana powers India to victory

London, June 30 - Opener Smriti Mandhana made it up for missing out on a hundred against England with a unbeaten 106 to guide India to a comfortable seven -wicket victory against West Indies in the ICC Women's World Cup match yesterday. Chasing a target of 184, Indian eves won with as many as 45 balls to spare. After scoring a match-winning 90 against England on the other day, Mandhana scored a century combining13fours and two sixes.

Mandhana added 106 runs for the third wicket partnership along with skipper Mithali Raj (46) to send the Windies team out of the tournament.

Mithali was unlucky not to score her eighth consecutive half-century in ODIs missing by a mere four runs. India could have been in a spot of bother at 33 for 2 but with a seasoned campaigner like Mithali at the other end, Mandhana went for her shots without much pressure.

The century - her 2nd in ODIs, came when she charged down the track to loft Stafanie Taylor inside out. The hundred off only 105 balls. Fittingly, she finished the match with her 13th boundary to get a deserving second 'Player of the Match' award.

Four-day District-level Basketball Tournament begins in city

Picture shows players of JSS High School and Pushkarini School involved in an intense match at Puttaraj Gawai Stadium at JP Nagar in Mysuru.

Mysuru, June 30- The inauguration of four-day Mysuru District Level Basketball Championship organised by All Stars Basketball Club was held yesterday at the Puttaraj Gawai Stadium in JP Nagar.

The tournament was inaugurated by Mayor M.J. Ravikumar. Journalist Rajashekar Koti, Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports Deputy Director (Retd.) M. V. Srinivas, Prof. M. Chandrakumar, Professor, DOS in Physical Education and Sport Sciences; Former Mayor B.L. Byrappa, J.P. Nagar Corporater presided over the event.

DAY 1 RESULTS

Cavery School bt St. Matthias by 28-08 points; St. Joseph School (Jayalakshmipuram) beat M.L.Z.S School by 36-09 points; Pushkarini School ('B' Team) beat JSS School (Saraswathipuram) by 32-28 points; St. Joseph (Vijayanagar) beat Pushkarani School by 15-08 points.

KSCA Mysore Zone U-19 Tournament for Clubs

Chethan scores double ton

Mysuru, June 30- A double century by L.R. Chethan (205, 23x4s, 9x6s) helped Futures CC to register a big 255 runs win over The Mysore Underwriters in the KSCA Mysuru Zone's U-19 Cricket Tournament for Clubs held at the PET Grounds in Mandya recently.

The Scores: Futures CC 368 for four in 50 overs (L.R. Chethan 205, Amruth Raj 69, G.R. Abhinandan 40, C.D. Kaushik 25 n.o, Akilesh B. Rao three for 58) bt The Mysore Underwriters 98 in 25.4 overs (A. Hrishab Singhavi 47, N.R. Madhava four for 10) (Rain stopped play-Revised target-354 in 48 overs).

At Mysuru MCC 90 in 25.4 overs (S. Suprith 27, Shaan Somanna five for five, S. Sathish three for 36) lost to Jayanagar SC 91 for four in 19.1 overs (S.S. Dolysh 30, G.B.Preetham three for 21).

FUCC 117 in 35.1 overs (Praveen three for 32, Rajath three for four) lost to The Mysore Gymkhana 120 for four inb 19.5 overs (Ruthwik Girish 51 n.o,).

RBNCC 118 in 38.5 overs (M.Shreyas 36, Yathindra Kumar four for 310 bt PET CC 76 for four in 27.5 overs (rain stopped play-RBNCC won by better run rate).

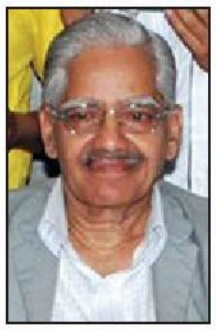
MUCSC 157 in 45.5 overs (L. Manvanth Kumar 35, Sibtain Ali three for 30, S. Preetham three for 14) bt FUCC 128 in 36.5 overs (Majid Hasnav Khan 50 n.o., M. Rakshith Gowda three for 14, L. Manvanth Kumar three for 25).

National CC 215 for nine in 50 overs (P. Gaurav 66, M.C.Hemanth 50, Monish Gowda three for 48) bt NMCC 112 in 34 overs (Sharath 35, Sohan P. Hegde four for 14, Pramodara three for 12).

Prof. S.K. Ananda Thirtha Memorial All India FIDE Rating

Rapid Chess Tournament

Mysuru, June 30- The Mysore District Chess Association (MDCA) in association with the Hoysala Karnataka Sangha under the aegis of the UKCA and AICF will be conducting the **Prof. S.K. Ananda Thirtha** Memorial All India FIDE Rating Rapid Chess Tournament at Hoysala Karnataka Sangha here on July 1-2.



Addressing the mediapersons at the Pathrakarthara Bhavan yesterday Dr. C. Krishna, Chief Patron, MDCA said the tournament has a total cash fund of Rs. Two lakh and a total of 50 trophies would be given to the participants and winners in various categories.

Around 300 players Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Goa, Telangana, Andhra, Odisha, Maharashtra and West Bengal are expected to take part in the tournament

The tournament will be inaugurated by S.A. Mohan Krishna, son of late Prof. S.K. Ananda Thirtha on July 1 at 9.30 am.

IM S. Satyapragyan (ODI), IM Dinesh Kumar Sharma, IM Ravi Gopal Hegde (KAR), P. Saravanakrishnan (TN), N.Lokesh (TN), K. Senthilmaran (TN), A.C. Muthaiah (TN) and Ram Vishwanathan (TN) are the top players who are taking part in the tournament.

Website launched: On the occasion, Dr. C. Krishna launched the website www.mysoredca.com of Mysore District Chess Association which has the details of association's activities, history of chess, Mysuru chess, Player details, Online registration of players, News and Photos, Tournament details, Video gallery, Photo gallery, Press reviews, Chess in schools programme and results of tournaments.

MDCA Hon. Secretary K.R. Shivarame Gowda, President N. Sudharshan, Treasurer H. Ramesh, Joint Secretary Smitha, UoM Senate Member M.S.S. Kumar were present.

Sunflower field in Chamarajanagar kindles 'Selfie' business

Farmer charges Rs. 20 per selfie to tourists posing before his field

Beguru, June 30 (Nagesh)- The beautiful 1970 movie love story 'Sunflower' starring two hugely talented Italian actors Sophia Lauren and Marcello Mastroianni that tells the tale of World War II, brings back memories of the Sunflower fields. Here Giovanna played by Sophia Lauren goes in search of her husband Antonio,(played by Mastrioianni) to Russia where she visits the Sunflower fields.

Similarly, a Sunflower field in Beguru by the National Highway in Chamarajanagar district is attracting the attention of the people driving in cars and two wheelers. But the situation here is quite different. Due to lack of rain and mounting debts, the farmer here is trying to find new means to augment his income.

The sunflower (which also is the theme of famous Dutch painter Vincent Van Gogh) he has grown in his fields next to the NH 766, is attracting people driving on the highway. They are stopping their vehicles and clicking selfies and posing for photographs in the lush field full of bright yellow sunflowers.

In the beginning, farmer B.K. Sundar was allowing the visitors to enter the fields and take pictures. But he realised over a period of time that this was causing problems as they would stamp all over the field and damage the flowers.

Sundar came up with an idea. He put up a board that said "Rs. 20 for each selfie."

During the Ramzan festival recently, tourists from Kerala came in hordes stopped at the field and took selfies by paying Rs. 20. Then they are sharing the photos on *Facebook* and *Whatsapp* with their friends and family members.

Grabbing the business opportunity, a few more entrepreneurs have set up shops selling tender coconuts, ice creams and other eatables. When the rush dwindled, he brought down the rate to Rs. 10 and by 4 pm yesterday, Sundar had collected Rs. 1,000.

Bank clerk commits suicide

Mysuru, June 30 (RK&VNS) - Darshan (30), a native of Aggudu in Arasikere taluk of Hassan, committed suicide by hanging self at a lodge in city. The incident came to light yesterday afternoon after room boys got suspicious and informed the Police.

The Police said that Darshan, who worked as a clerk with Vijaya Bank in Nanjangud, was married just four months back. He had moved into a room in Mannars Lodge behind Sangam Talkies.

Inspector H.M. Kantharaju and ASI Mahadevappa visited the spot and conducted mahazar.

Darshan

Later, the body was shifted to MMC&RI for post mortem. Lashkar Police, who have registered a case are investigating.

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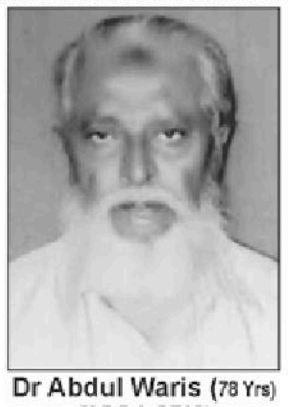

Dr Abdul Waris (78 Yrs)
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You will remain in our heart forever and will be missed deeply

— Family Members, (Son Zafar: 9986390223)

Bringing back JD(S) to power is my last wish: H.D. Deve Gowda

Hunsur, June 30(KK&DM)- Stating that bringing back JD(S) to power in the State was his last wish, former PM and JD(S) Supremo H.D. Deve Gowda has appealed the electorate to support the party in the 2018 Assembly polls.

Addressing a meeting of party workers at Adichunchanagiri Kalyana Mantap in the town yesterday, Deve Gowda asked them not to have any confusion over the party nominee for Hunsur Assembly segment.

Pointing out that the only aim of JD(S) workers should be to bring the party to power in the 2018 polls, he asked them to leave the choice of party candidate from Hunsur to top brass or else to make their own choice.

Later, local party leaders who addressed the meeting, demanded that G.D. Harish Gowda, son of Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda be given the party ticket from Hunsur.

MLA G.T. Devegowda in his address, said that his family will respect the party's decision and support the candidate chosen by party leaders.

Party District President Narasimhaswamy, Taluk President Haralahalli Madegowda, Hunsur CMC President K. Lakshman, APMC President Nagamangala Kumar and others were present.

Soon after H.D. Deve Gowda returned to Mysuru, former MP A.H. Vishwanath who quit the Congress recently, met the former PM at the farmhouse of former University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. K.S. Rangappa at Bogadi in Mysuru. Prof. Rangappa is a close relative of H.D. Deve Gowda. The two leaders held discussions for quite sometime, hinting that Vishwanath is almost certain to join the JD(S) in the first week of July.

Deve Gowda is said to have told that the JD(S) is happy to welcome him. MLA G.T. Devegowda, Prof. Rangappa and others were present during the meeting. Meanwhile, it is learnt that A.H. Vishwanath will be joining the JD(S) at the party office in Bengaluru on July 4, in the presence of State Unit Chief H.D. Kumaraswamy and other senior party leaders.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Apatetic

Pronunciation: ap-uh-tet-ik
Meaning: Zoology: assuming colours and forms that effect deceptive camouflage.
Example: I am apatetic, adapting to each new environment.
Origin: Apatetic stems from the Greek word apatētikós meaning "fallacious," drawing on the Greek verb apateúein, "to deceive." It entered English in the late 1800s. iscover Our Editors' Picks

THE ODD WORD

Tardiloquent

Speaking slowly.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Halcyon days

Meaning: Calm, peaceful days.

Origin: The Halcyon is a bird of Greek legend and the name is now commonly given to the European Kingfisher. The ancients believed that the bird made a floating nest in the Aegean Sea and had the power to calm the waves while brooding her eggs. Fourteen days of calm weather were to be expected when the Halcyon was nesting - around the winter solstice, usually 21st or 22nd of December. The Halcyon days are generally regarded as beginning on the 14th or 15th of December. The source of the belief in the bird's power to calm the sea originated in a myth recorded by Ovid. The story goes that Aeolus, the ruler of the winds, had a daughter named Alcyone, who was married to Ceyx, the king of Thessaly. Ceyx was drowned at sea and Alcyone threw herself into the waves in a fit of grief. Instead of drowning, she was transformed into a bird and carried to her husband by the wind.
The myth came to the English-speaking world in the 14th century, when, in 1398, John Trevisa translated Bartholomew de Glanville's De proprietatibusrerum into Middle English: "In the cliffe of a ponde of occean, Alcion, a see foule, in wyntermaketh her neste and layethegges in vii days and sittyth on brood ... seuendayes."

QUOTE BOX

Be yourself; everyone else is already taken.

— Oscar Wilde.

RIDDLE THIS

There was a green house. Inside the green house there was a white house. Inside the white house there was a red house. Inside the red house there were lots of babies. What is it?

Answer: Watermelon.

SUDOKU

		6			2	3		
3			5					
5				4				6
8			6			7	1	
		2				5		
	7	4			5			3
9				3				8
					7			9
		3	2			4		

Answer to previous puzzle

9	5	8	2	1	7	6	3	4
1	3	4	6	9	8	7	2	5
2	7	6	3	4	5	1	9	8
5	6	7	8	3	9	4	1	2
3	9	2	4	5	1	8	6	7
4	8	1	7	6	2	3	5	9
7	1	9	5	8	6	2	4	3
8	4	5	1	2	3	9	7	6
6	2	3	9	7	4	5	8	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Walk in water
5 Absolute, in short
8 No ___ : slang usage meaning no luck or no chance?
12 Injured
13 Dairy farm resident
14 Athlete P.T. __
15 Surmounting; over
16 Horizontal Situation Indicator
17 At the back
18 Also, in addition
19 Young folks?
21 Average or normal
23 Life's building block
24 In the beginning?
28 Hit hard or thrash
31 ___ Lisa : da Vinci's famous painting?
32 Kick the bucket?
33 A sheet of glass in a window
34 Wooden pin or Margaret's petname?
35 Bird sanctuary near Agra
37 A strong solution of sodium or potassium hydroxide
38 Bundle of yarn on broomstick
39 Continually or ceaselessly ; eternally
44 Freudian term
47 Chapter of the Koran
48 Playback singer Arun
49 A notion or a brain-wave
50 Shut noisily
51 Oath, promise
52 Navigate the web
53 Napoleon's exile island
54 Extra-terrestrials, abbr.
55 Chooses or selects

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

		C	R	A	B		D	E	S	A	I	
A	M	P	H	O	R	A		I	N	F	O	R
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F	I	N	E	R		H	A	R	D	E	S	T
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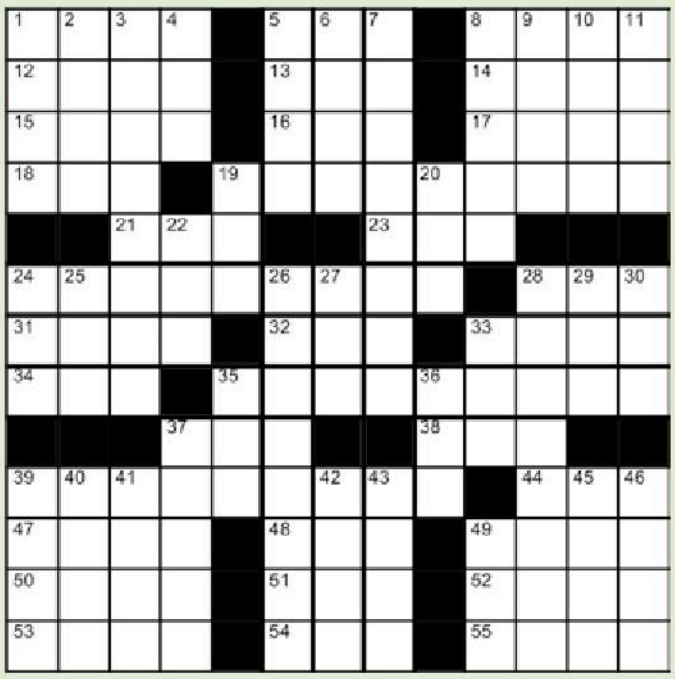
DOWN

1 ...and ___ not :... and other similar things?
2 A prefix mean "self" or "same" or "by itself"?
3 Sagging or hanging down from the middle
4 Equal Time Point
5 A dull, continuous pain
6 Netaji Subhas Chandra ___?
7 One who cheats or defrauds
8 Hindu goddess of war
9 Understanding term? (1,3)
10 Burn slightly on the surface
11 Heads of corn
19 Three as a prefix
20 ___ which way you can : by one means or another?
22 One __ _ time : singly (2,1)
24 A mischievous child
25 Notice of exception, abbr.
26 A glue
27 "Ali" turning into a girl?
28 Received enthusiastically? (6,2)
29 Music director Malik
30 'Sea' in French
33 Power take off, abbr.
35 Parting word
36 Alcott heroine of "Little Women"
37 South American camel
39 Being in Latin
40 _____ and void?
41 Lacklustre
42 Opening to take your money
43 Rules enacted or customary in the country
45 Gertrude's pet name
46 Awkward stupid persons
49 Prefix meaning equal



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

VOEX AF E YJGAY? E KEG VOM CGMVF XOR SLAYR MU

RIRLJXOAGD EGW XOR IETBR MU GMXOAGD.

TODAY'S CLUE: G EQUALS N

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The price of freedom of religion, or of speech, or of the press, is that we must put up with a good deal of rubbish.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Aake	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
Naanobne Ollevnu	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Nammura Haiklu	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Tiger	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Raajakumara	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
Bangara S/o Bangarada Manushya			
	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Duvvada Jagannadham	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
HINDI			
Miss Khiladi	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
Raabta	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Tubelight	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
Rooh	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Vanamagan	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Singham 3	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — PH: 4240422, 4241800

Transformers: Last Knight (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.40 am, 1.35 pm
	(S-1)	7.05 pm, 9.55 pm
Tubelight (H)	(S-1)	4.30 pm
	(S-2)	1.50 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	7.10 pm
Aake (K)	(S-2)	11.15 am
Raajakumara (K)	(S-2)	4.25 pm
The Big Sick (E)	(S-2)	7.20 pm
Despicable Me 3 (E)	(S-3)	11.30 am
Baby Driver (E)	(S-3)	1.45 pm, 7.30 pm
	(S-4)	11.00 am
Baahubali -2 (Te)	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Role Models (Ma)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Duvvada Jagannadham (Te)	(S-4)	1.20 pm, 4.15, 9.55

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Transformers: Last Knight (E-3D)	(S-1)	9.45 am, 3.45 pm
		6.50 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-2)	12.45 pm
Transformers: Last Knight (E-2D)	(S-3)	9.00 pm
Tubelight (H)	(S-2)	1.00 pm
	(S-3)	3.40 pm
	(S-4)	9.30 pm
Duvvada Jagannadham (Te)	(S-2)	10.00 am, 3.40 pm
		6.45 pm, 9.50 pm
Aake (K)	(S-4)	10.50 am, 1.30 pm
		6.50 pm
Nammura Haiklu (K)	(S-3)	10.55 am
Oru Cinemakaran (Ma)	(S-3)	6.25 pm
Ek Haseena Thi Ek Deewana Tha (H)	(S-3)	1.25 pm
Naanobne Ollevnu (K)	(S-4)	4.10 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

AIR ON SATURDAY

6.00 am Patriotic Songs, 6.10 Geetaradhana, 6.30 Chinthana, 6.45 Bhavageete, 10.00 Vocal Recital, 10.30 Hindi Film Songs, 11.30 Kannada Film Songs, 12.00 noon Hindi Film Songs, 12.30 Makkala Mantapa, 1.00 Devotional Songs, 1.20 Bhavageete, 1.30 Madhyanada Madhurya, 2.35 Film Songs, 3.30 Folk Songs, 5.00 Film Songs, 6.15 Folk Songs, 6.50 Krishi Ranga, 7.45 Samachara Darshana, 9.16 Nimma Pathra, 9.30 National Music Programme.

EVENTS TODAY (JUNE 30)

Sri Chandramoulishwara Swamy Devasthanam Charitable Trust: 75th Jayanthyuthsava-2017, Pavamana Parayana, Temple premises, Temple Road, Vani Vilas Mohalla, **5 pm onwards.**

Trayinyas Srividya Foundation: Sri Varahi Guptha Navarathri Mahotsava, Sri Maha Pratyangira Homa, Purnahuti, Mahamangalarati, Prasada Viniyoga, Trayinyas Srividya Foundation, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**

Sri Krishna Seve Samithi Charitable Trust: *Ashada Shukravara* celebrations, Bhajans by Vidu. Shylaja Sriram Bhat, Vid. Sriram Bhat, Vid. Aditya; Swarna Pushparchane, Maha Mangalarathi and Prasada Viniyoga, Sri Krishna Temple, Gokulam, **6 pm to 7 pm.**

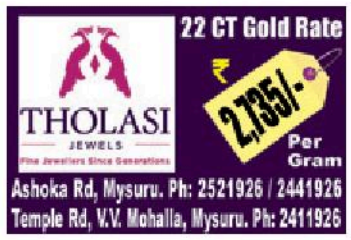
Godeya Balaga Foundation, Sri Mahalakshmi Temple, Dattagalli: Ashada-Shravana Programmes, Sri Dhanyalakshmi Kalasharadhane, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

Art for All: Art show by N. Vijayalakshmi, Suchithra Art Gallery, Kalamandira premises, **up to 8 pm.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: Asthana Vidwan Harikeshnallur Muttaiah Bhagavatar's Punya Tithi programme, Musical Discourse on the life of Muttaiah Bhagavatar by Vid. V. Malini & Party, Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha: Discourse on 'Sampurna Srimadramayana', Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm.**

Sringeri Sri Shankar Mutt: Ashada Fridays, Sri Annapoorneshwari Alankara, Mutt premises, Abhinava Shankaralaya, Fort Mohalla, **7 pm.**



EVENTS TOMORROW (JULY 1)

Sri Chandramoulishwara Swamy Devasthanam Charitable Trust: 75th Jayanthyuthsava-2017, Rudra Homa, Temple premises, Vani Vilas Mohalla, **9 am.**

Trayinyas Srividya Foundation: Sri Varahi Guptha Navarathri Mahotsava, Mahabhishekam, Sapthashathi Parayana, Srichakrarchane, **9 am;** Sri Maha Varahi Avarananga Homa, Purnahuti, Mahamangalarati, Prasada Viniyoga, Trayinyas Srividya Foundation, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**

Industrial Extension Cottage (INDEXT-C), Gujarat and JSS Urban Haat, Mysuru: Gujarat Handicrafts Utsav-2017, JSS Mysore Urban Haat, Hebbal Industrial Area, **10 am to 9 pm.**

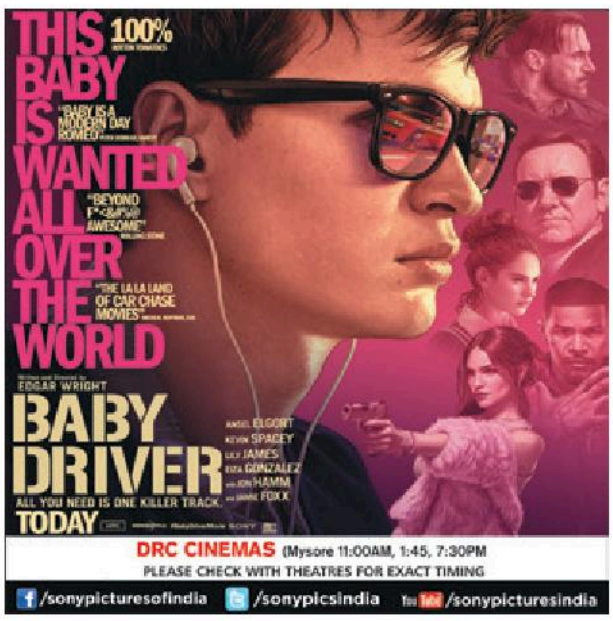
Vidyavardhaka First Grade College, Seshadri Iyer Road: Induction for 1st year degree students, Rangsons Defence Solutions Pvt. Ltd. Chairman Pavan Ranga inaugurates, V.V. Sangha Hon. Vice-President B. Shivalingappa presides, felicitation to IAS 340th Rank Holder (2017 batch) Kempa Honnaiah, V.V. Sangha Hon. EC Member S. Shivalingaiah chief guest, College auditorium, **10.30 am.**

Ayurveda Prachara Parishat Trust, Vidyaranyapuram: World Doctors' Day, felicitation to doctors and birthday celebrations of writer Prof. K. Bhyravamurthy, former Health Minister PGR Sindhia inaugurates, former Finance Minister M. Shivanna presents awards, retd. Health & Family Welfare Director Dr. D. Thimmaiah unveils Dr. B.C. Roy's portrait, MyLAC Chairman H.A. Venkatesh presides, litterateur Dr. C.P. Krishna Kumar wishes Prof. K. Bhyravamurthy, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **10.30 am.**

R.K. Somashekar Felicitation Committee, University of Mysore (UoM): Karnataka Legislative Council Dy. Chairman Marithibbegowda felicitates UoM Dy. Librarian R.K. Somashekar, District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa inaugurates, MLA M.K. Somashekar presides, felicitation address by writer Dr. C. Naganna, Maharaja College Centenary Hall, **5 pm.**

Sri Gayatri Educational Cultural and Charitable Trust: Presentation of prathibha puraskar for Vipra children, District Brahmana Sabha President D.T. Prakash inaugurates, Trust President Vanaja Pandit presides, S. Balaji, Principal, Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashale, Yadavagiri, Mysuru, distributes prathibha puraskar, Geetha Shishu Educational Institutions, Siddarthanagar, **5.30 pm.**

Sri Srinivasa Temple (SSW Mutt Charitable Trust): *Ashada Maasa* celebrations, **Jugalbandhi Concert,** Hindustani music recital by Siddhartha Belmannu from Karkala, Udupi District and Karnatak Music recital by N.S. Abhishek from Bengaluru; Samuhika Lakshmi Archane, temple premises, # 1, Swami Vivekananda Road, Ramakrishna Nagar, 'I' Block, **6.00 pm.**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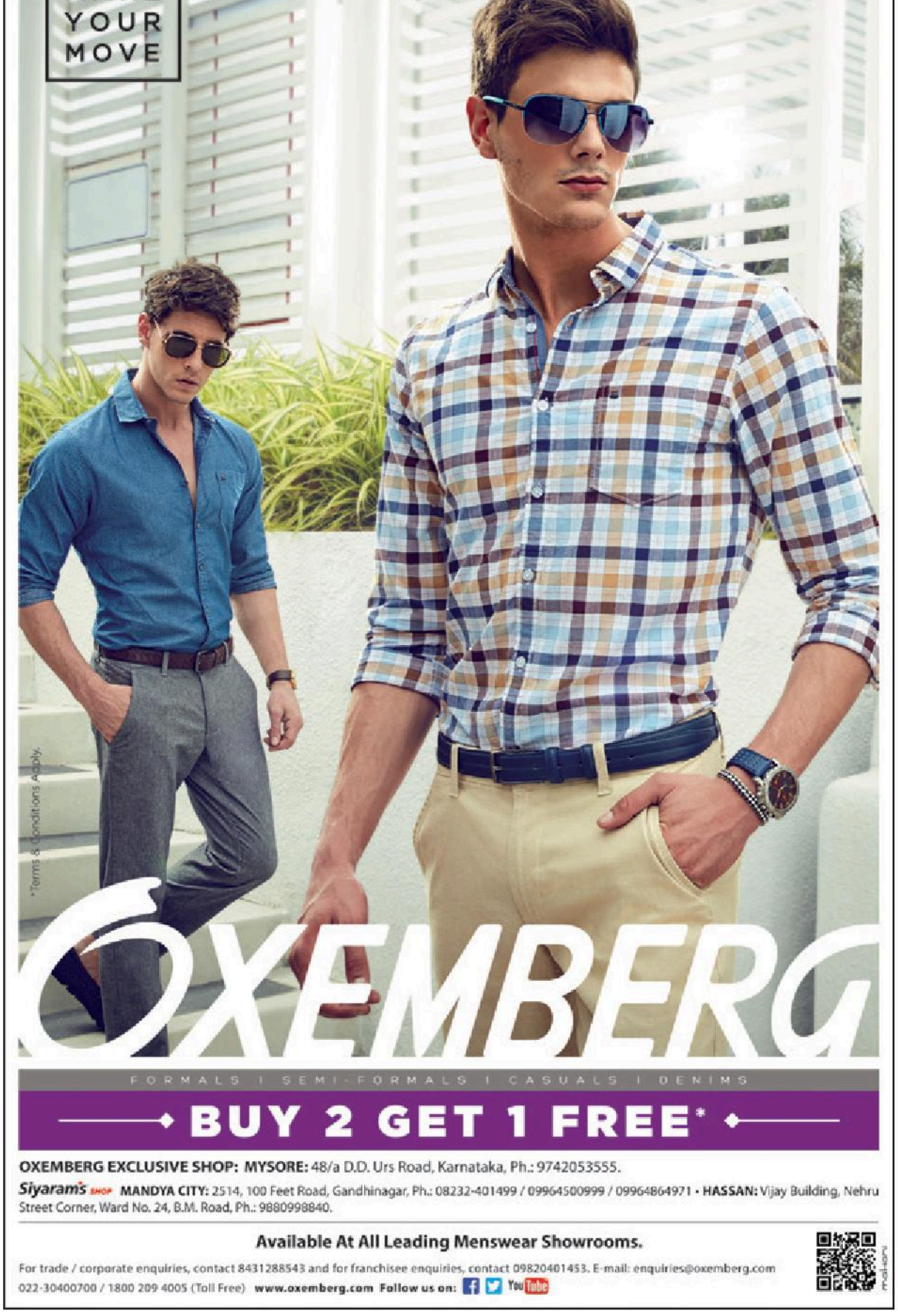
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